### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## Form 8-K

**Current Report** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 01/16/2009

## Unitrin, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 0-18298

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

95-4255452 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601** (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

312-661-4600

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

Two members of the Board of Directors of Unitrin, Inc. (the "Company") have informed the Company that they have decided to retire at the end of the current term for directors, which expires on May 6, 2009, the day of the Company's 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. As a result, Donald V. Fites, 75, and Jerrold V. Jerome, 79, will not be standing for re-election at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

#### Signature(s)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Unitrin, Inc.

Date: January 23, 2009

By: /s/ Scott Renwick

Scott Renwick Senior Vice President