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

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 28, 2013

SPIRIT AIRLINES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-35186

(Commission File Number)

38-1747023

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

**2800 Executive Way
Miramar, Florida 33025**

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(954) 447-7920

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On January 24, 2013, the Board of Directors of Spirit Airlines, Inc. (“Spirit”) elected Carl Donaway to Spirit's Board of Directors. The Board of Directors appointed Mr. Donaway to serve on the Board's Compensation Committee . Mr. Donaway will be compensated for his service as a director on the same basis as other non-employee directors of Spirit. Compensation for Spirit's non-employee directors is described in Spirit's Proxy Statement for its 2012 annual meeting of stockholders as filed with the SEC on April 30, 2012.

Mr. Donaway was designated a Class II Director and will be up for re-election at the time of the Company's 2013 annual general meeting.

A copy of Spirit's press release announcing Mr. Donaway's election to the Board of Directors is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Spirit Airlines Board Appoints Carl Donaway as New Board Member

SIGNATURES

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

Date: SPIRIT AIRLINES, INC.
January 28,
2013

By: /s/ Thomas Canfield
Name: Thomas Canfield
Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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Miramar, Florida (January 28, 2013) - Spirit Airlines' (NASDAQ: SAVE) board of directors today announced Carl Donaway as its newest board member.

"We are looking forward to Carl Donaway becoming an active member of our board," said Spirit's Chairman of the Board Bill Franke. "Carl's 35-year career in transportation, investment and private-equity consulting will serve to further complement Spirit's dynamic range of board members."

Prior to serving as president of consulting firm JSKD Advisors LLC, Donaway was a senior advisor with Cerberus Operations and Advisory Company. Donaway provided operational advice and guidance to portfolio companies engaged in business services, manufacturing, aircraft MRO and transportation.

Donaway was appointed executive chairman at DHL Holdings-USA upon the merger of DHL-USA and Airborne Express in 2003. Prior to the merger, Donaway was chairman, president and chief executive officer of Airborne, Inc., a Fortune-500 transportation and logistics company. He also served as president and chief executive officer of ABX Air, Inc., an air-express airline with over 100 aircraft in its fleet.

Donaway has been a member of various corporate and nonprofit boards, including ACE Aviation Holdings, Air Canada, ACTS, the Air Transport Association, Anchor Glass Container Corporation, and Airborne Incorporated. He also served as an adjunct instructor at the University of Washington's School of Business Administration where he taught marketing.

Donaway earned a Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Minnesota and a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University, Northridge. He is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma National Academic Business Honor Society.

About Spirit Airlines

Spirit Airlines (NASDAQ: SAVE) empowers customers to save money on air travel by offering ultra low base fares with a range of optional services for a fee, allowing customers the freedom to choose only the extras they value. This innovative approach grows the traveling market and stimulates new economic activity while creating new jobs. Spirit's modern fleet, configuration and other innovations enable Spirit to burn less fuel per seat than competitors, making Spirit one of the most environmentally-friendly U.S. carriers. Spirit's all-Airbus fleet currently operates more than 200 daily flights to over 50 destinations within the U.S., Latin America and Caribbean. Visit Spirit at www.spirit.com.

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