



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

On July 25, 2019, the boards of directors (the “Boards”) of The Hillman Companies, Inc. (the “Company”) and The Hillman Group, Inc. (“Hillman” and, with the Company, the “Companies”) appointed Douglas J. Cahill to be the Executive Chairman, Senior Executive Officer of the Companies effective July 29, 2019. Prior to such appointment, Mr. Cahill had served as a member of the Boards since June 2014 and as the Chairman of the Boards since September 2014.

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**SIGNATURES**

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.

Date: July 25, 2019

THE HILLMAN COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Gregory J. Gluchowski, Jr.  
Name: Gregory J. Gluchowski, Jr.  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer