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): January 27, 2023

Hercules Capital, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 814-00702 (Commission File No.) 74-3113410 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

400 Hamilton Ave., Suite 310 Palo Alto, CA (Address of principal executive offices)

94301 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 289-3060

Not Applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	HTGC	New York Stock Exchange
6.25% Notes due 2033	HCXY	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter)

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

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

On January 26, 2023, director Brad Koenig notified the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Hercules Capital, Inc. (the "Company") of his decision to accept a position with the federal government and, as a consequence, resign from his position as a member of the Board, effective as of the close of business on January 27, 2023. Mr. Koenig's resignation from the Board, and from the boards of any other private sector businesses, is a condition of his acceptance of the federal government position and was not a result of any disagreements with management or the Board.

Mr. Koenig was a Class II director of the Company and also served on the Company's Audit Committee and Compensation Committee.

SIGNATURE

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.

January 27, 2023

HERCULES CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ Kiersten Zaza Botelho

Kiersten Zaza Botelho General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary