## 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): May 6, 2015

# **Quantum Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-13449 (Commission File No.) 94-2665054 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

224 Airport Parkway, San Jose, CA 95110

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 944-4000

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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

Effective May 6, 2015, Jeffrey C. Smith, a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Quantum Corporation (the "Company"), resigned from the Board and the Leadership and Compensation Committee of the Board.

Pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement, dated as of July 28, 2014 (the "Settlement Agreement") between Starboard Value L.P., certain of its affiliates and the Company as previously disclosed in the Company's 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 29, 2014, effective as of May 6, 2015, Robert J. Andersen, the current Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tessera Technologies, Inc., has been appointed to replace Mr. Smith on the Board. Mr. Anderson's appointment and service on the Board is subject to all of the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement Agreement, including the terms that were specifically applicable to Mr. Smith. Mr. Anderson has not been appointed to any committees of the Board. He will participate in the Company's standard compensation and benefits program for outside directors.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated May 6, 2015.

### 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.

QUANTUM CORPORATION

/s/ SHAWN D. HALL

Shawn D. Hall Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: May 6, 2015

Exhibit

99.1 Press Release, dated May 6, 2015.

Description



# **News Release**

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#### Quantum Announces Resignation of Jeffrey Smith From Its Board of Directors and Appointment of Robert Andersen Pursuant to Starboard's Replacement Rights

SAN JOSE, Calif. — May 6, 2015 — Quantum Corp. (NYSE: QTM) today announced that effective May 6, 2015, Jeffrey C. Smith has resigned from Quantum's board of directors. Pursuant to the agreement between Starboard Value LP and Quantum dated July 28, 2014, Starboard has exercised its replacement rights to recommend that Robert J. Andersen be appointed to the board. Andersen, who will join the board as of May 6, currently serves as the chief financial officer of Tessera Technologies Inc., a leading developer and licensor of semiconductor packaging and interconnect solutions.

"I have enjoyed working with the management team and board of Quantum, and I am proud of our accomplishments," commented Smith. "Since joining the board in 2013, Quantum's financial results have improved significantly, and its strategy has become increasingly focused on optimizing the cash flow from the company's long-standing tape products while further expanding its footprint in the rapidly growing scale-out storage market. As a result, the company is well-positioned to continue to drive profitable core organic revenue growth. To be sure, there is still more to be accomplished, and we believe that the current board, with the addition of Robert Andersen, will be well-suited to capitalize on the opportunities ahead. In particular, we believe that Robert's extensive experience as a senior executive at technology companies will be highly valuable to Quantum as it continues in its execution and evolution."

"On behalf of our management team and board of directors, I want to thank Jeff for his valuable service and contributions to Quantum and its shareholders," said Jon Gacek, president and CEO of Quantum. "He has been an integral part of our recent accomplishments and has helped to put the company on a path to long-term profitable growth and value creation."

"The board has truly appreciated Jeff's constructive involvement," said Paul Auvil, chairman of the board of directors. "He has been a valuable contributor to the board and provided a healthy and balanced focus on the best interests of the company and its shareholders. We thank him for his service and wish him well in his future endeavors. We also look forward to working with Robert as we continue to position Quantum to take advantage of opportunities to increase both growth and profitability."

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#### About Quantum

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"Safe Harbor" Statement under the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This press release contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Specifically, without limitation, our statements that Quantum is well-positioned to continue to drive profitable core organic revenue growth, that we are well-suited to capitalize on the opportunities ahead, that Robert's extensive experience as a senior executive at technology companies will be highly valuable to Quantum as it continues in its execution and evolution, that the company is on a path to long-term profitable growth and value creation and that we are continuing to position Quantum to take advantage of opportunities to increase both growth and profitability are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Safe Harbor. All forward-looking statements in this press release are based on information available to Quantum on the date hereof. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause Quantum's actual results to differ materially from those implied by the forward-looking statement. More detailed information about these risk factors, and additional risk factors are set forth in Quantum's periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, those risks and uncertainties listed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in Quantum's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 6, 2014 and in Quantum's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 6, 2015. Quantum expressly disclaims any obligation to update or alter its forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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