# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNITED STATES

Washington, DC 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 25, 2014

# **REGENCY CENTERS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-12298 (Commission File Number) 59-3191743 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Independent Drive, Suite 114 Jacksonville, Florida (Address of principal executive offices)

32202 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (904)-598-7000

Not Applicable

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

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Dere-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 Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

### (d) New Director

On May 25, 2014, Regency Centers Corporation's (the "Company") Board of Directors appointed Bryce Blair as its newest member. Mr. Blair's term will begin on October 1, 2014. Mr. Blair, age 55, will be granted a stock rights award of 2,000 shares of common stock upon joining the Board. The appointment of Mr. Blair will expand Regency's Board to twelve members, ten of whom are independent directors. Mr. Blair will also receive the compensation payable to all other non-employee members of the Company's Board of Directors. The Company has determined that Mr. Blair is independent of the Company and its management within the meaning of the New York Stock Exchange listing standards.

Mr. Blair is the former Chairman and CEO of AvalonBay Communities, Inc., a real estate investment trust focused on the development, acquisition and management of multi-family apartments throughout the United States. He served as CEO from 2001 through 2012 and Chairman from 2002 through 2013. Mr. Blair currently serves as a member of the board of directors of Invitation Homes, LP and PulteGroup, Inc. Mr. Blair is the past chairman of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT"), where he also served on the Executive Committee and Board of Governors. He received an MBA from Harvard Business School and an undergraduate degree in civil engineering from the University of New Hampshire.

On May 27, 2014, the Company issued a press release, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1, announcing the appointment of Mr. Blair to the Company's Board of Directors.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated May 27, 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.

## **REGENCY CENTERS CORPORATION**

(registrant)

By: <u>/s/ J. Christian Leavitt</u>

J. Christian Leavitt, Senior Vice President and Treasurer

May 28, 2014

### NEWS RELEASE For immediate release



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#### Regency Centers Announces Appointment of Bryce Blair to its Board of Directors

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla.** (May 27, 2014) – Regency Centers Corporation ("Regency" or the "Company") (NYSE: REG) announced today that the Company's Board of Directors appointed Bryce Blair as its newest member. Mr. Blair's term will begin on October 1, 2014.

"Regency is extremely fortunate to have Bryce join our Board. During his tenure as CEO of AvalonBay he was widely recognized as one of the most talented and astute top executives in the REIT Industry. In addition to his experience and insights to leading a great company, Bryce will bring to our Board an important perspective resulting from his vast knowledge of the multi-family and single-family housing sectors," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Martin E. "Hap" Stein, Jr.

Mr. Blair is the former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of AvalonBay Communities, Inc., a real estate investment trust focused on the development, acquisition and management of multi-family apartments throughout the United States. He served as CEO from 2001 through 2012 and Chairman from 2002 through 2013. Mr. Blair currently serves as a member of the board of directors of Invitation Homes, LP and PulteGroup, Inc. Mr. Blair is the past chairman of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT"), where he also served on the Executive Committee and Board of Governors. He received an MBA from Harvard Business School and an undergraduate degree in civil engineering from the University of New Hampshire.

### About Regency Centers Corporation (NYSE: REG)

Regency is the preeminent national owner, operator, and developer of high-quality grocery-anchored neighborhood and community shopping centers. With 332 retail properties, the company's portfolio encompasses over 43.9 million square feet located in top markets throughout the United States, including coinvestment partnerships. Regency has developed 215 shopping centers since 2000, representing an investment at completion of more than \$3 billion. Operating as a fully integrated real estate company, Regency is a qualified real estate investment trust that is self-administered and self-managed.