

APACHE CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 21, 2012

**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): December 17, 2012

**APACHE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**1-4300**  
(Commission

File Number)  
2000 Post Oak Boulevard

**41-0747868**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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Suite 100

Houston, Texas 77056-4400

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 296-6000

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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**

On December 17, 2012, Dr. Patricia Albjerg Graham notified Apache Corporation ( Apache ) of her intention to retire from her position as a director of Apache, effective as of Apache s 2013 Annual Meeting. Dr. Graham is a member of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee of Apache s board of directors. In the letter notifying Apache of her retirement, Dr. Graham indicated that she did not have any disagreement with Apache or its management on any matter relating to Apache s operations, policies, or practices. Dr. Graham, age 77, has served on the Apache board for more than 10 years.

**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.

**APACHE CORPORATION**

Date: December 21, 2012

/s/ Thomas P. Chambers  
Thomas P. Chambers  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer