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Form 8-K

December 18, 2018

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 18, 2018 (December 14, 2018)

Brookdale Senior Living Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-32641 20-3068069 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

111 Westwood Place, Suite 400, Brentwood,

Tennessee 37027

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, (615) 221-2250 including area code

(Former name or former 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))

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

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

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.

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Section 5 — Corporate Governance and Management

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

(b) On December 18, 2018, Brookdale Senior Living Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), reported that Cedric T. Coco would step down from his role as the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief People Officer effective December 31, 2018. Upon Mr. Coco's separation from the Company he will be entitled to receive payments associated with a separation by the Company without cause pursuant to the terms of the Company's Amended and Restated Tier I Severance Pay Policy as a Designated Officer (as such term is defined in the policy), and any of his outstanding equity awards issued under the Company's Amended and Restated 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan will be entitled to the treatment associated with a termination by the Company without cause pursuant to the terms of his restricted share agreements, in each case subject to the terms and conditions of such plans and agreements.

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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.

BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING INC.

Date: December 18, 2018 By: /s/ Chad C. White

Namehad C. White

TitleExecutive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary