

CANCERVAX CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 22, 2005

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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): July 20, 2005**

**CANCERVAX CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-50440**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**52-2243564**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2110 Rutherford Road, Carlsbad, CA**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**92008**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(760) 494-4200**

(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)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

Mr. Cam L. Garner resigned from the Board of Directors and Audit Committee of CancerVax Corporation (the Company ) effective July 20, 2005. Mr. Garner has indicated that his reason for deciding to resign is due to his commitment to other business interests. Mr. Garner has served as a director of the Company since 2001.

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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.

CANCERVAX CORPORATION

Date: July 22, 2005

By: /s/ William R. LaRue  
Name: William R. LaRue  
Title: Chief Financial Officer