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): October 7, 2019

IVERIC bio, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

001-36080 20-8185347 **Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.) File Number)

of Incorporation)

One Penn Plaza, 35th Floor New York, NY 10119 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 845-8200

Not Applicable

(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) 0
- 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 o

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. o

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

On October 7, 2019, David E. Redlick notified IVERIC bio, Inc. (the "Company") that he was resigning from the Company's board of directors (the "Board") effective that same day. Mr. Redlick advised the Company that he was not resigning as a result of any disagreement with the Company. Prior to his resignation, Mr. Redlick served as independent lead director, the chair of the compensation committee and a member of the audit committee.

Following Mr. Redlick's resignation, the Board appointed Dr. Adrienne Graves, Ph.D., as independent lead director, and reconstituted the audit and compensation committees as follows:

Audit Committee

Ms. Jane Henderson, Chair Mr. Axel Bolte Dr. Cal Roberts, M.D.

Compensation Committee

Dr. Adrienne Graves, Ph.D., Chair Ms. Jane Henderson Dr. Cal Roberts, M.D.

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.

IVERIC bio, Inc.

Date: October 9, 2019 By: /s/ David F. Carroll

David F. Carroll

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer