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): August 21, 2024

Surgery Partners, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-37576 (Commission

File Number)

47-3620923 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

340 Seven Springs Way, Suite 600 Brentwood, Tennessee 37027 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(615) 234-5900

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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□ 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	SGRY	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in 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 \Box

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.

Item 4.01. Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

(a) On August 21, 2024, Surgery Partners, Inc. (the "Company"), through action of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Audit Committee"), dismissed Deloitte & Touche LLP ("Deloitte") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, effective as of August 21, 2024.

The reports of Deloitte on the Company's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the subsequent interim period through the date of dismissal, there were no disagreements (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the related instructions) between the Company and Deloitte on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to Deloitte's satisfaction, would have caused Deloitte to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreements in its reports on the Company's consolidated financial statements for such years.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the subsequent interim period through the date of dismissal, there have been no reportable events (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

The Company provided Deloitte with a copy of this Current Report on Form 8-K prior to filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and requested that Deloitte furnish a letter addressed to the SEC stating whether or not it agrees with the statements made by the Company. A copy of Deloitte's letter, dated August 21, 2024 is filed as Exhibit 16 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

(b) On August 21, 2024, the Company, through action of the Audit Committee, engaged Ernst & Young LLP ("EY") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm to audit the Company's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024. This appointment is effective as of August 21, 2024.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the subsequent interim period prior to engagement, the Company did not consult with EY regarding: (a) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed; or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's financial statements, and neither a written report was provided to the Company nor oral advice was provided that EY concluded was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to the accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue; or (b) any matter that was either the subject of a disagreement (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the related instructions) or a reportable event (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

- 16 Letter from Deloitte & Touche LLP, dated August 21, 2024
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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.

SURGERY PARTNERS, INC.

By: <u>/s/ David T. Doherty</u> David T. Doherty Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 23, 2024

August 21, 2024

Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

We have read Item 4.01 of Surgery Partners, Inc.'s Form 8-K dated August 21, 2024, and agree with the statements made therein.

Yours truly,

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP