
**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): February 8, 2021

ContraFect Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-36577
(Commission
File Number)

39-2072586
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

28 Wells Avenue, 3rd Floor, Yonkers, New York 10701
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(914) 207-2300
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A
(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:

- 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))

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, \$0.0001 par value per share	CFRX	Nasdaq Capital Market

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.

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

On February 8, 2021, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of ContraFect Corporation (the “Company”) elected Jane Barlow, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A. as a director of the Company with a term ending at the Company’s 2021 annual meeting of stockholders. Dr. Barlow has also been appointed to the Board’s Audit Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

Dr. Barlow has served as the Chief Executive Officer of Jane Barlow & Associates, LLC, a consulting firm focused on value based health care services, since January 2017 and Executive Vice President and Chief Clinical Officer at Real Endpoints, a data, analytics, and advisory firm, since January 2017. She is a senior advisor to MIT’s Center for Biomedical Innovation and serves on the Biotech Advisory Board of Pictet Asset Management. Prior to her current roles, she was Associate Chief Medical Officer at CVS Health from 2013 to December 2016 and Chief Medical Officer of CVS Health’s Government Services arm where she successfully implemented industry-leading clinical strategies supporting drug purchasing, distribution, and utilization management. Formerly, she served as Vice President of Clinical Innovation at Medco Health Solutions, leading the adoption of cutting-edge therapeutic programs through all aspects of pharmacy. Dr. Barlow previously served on the public company boards of Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (prior to and during its sale to Johnson and Johnson) from December 2019 to October 2020, TherapeuticsMD Inc. from March 2018 to April 2020, and SilverScript Insurance Company from 2014 to December 2016. Dr. Barlow received her medical degree from Creighton University School of Medicine and subsequently completed her residency in occupational and environmental medicine at The Johns Hopkins University, where she also earned her M.P.H. She is a distinguished graduate of the United States Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine and served as Chief of Flight Medicine at the Beale and Maxwell Air Force Bases. Additionally, she holds an M.B.A. from the University of Alabama. She is board-certified in occupational medicine and a fellow of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine and the American College of Preventive Medicine. She is a diplomat of the American College of Physician Executives and a member of the American Medical Association. The Board believes that Dr. Barlow’s extensive experience in steering pharmaceutical development by strategically weighing the value and economic costs that drug candidates bring to the healthcare ecosystem at large qualifies her to serve as a member of the Board.

Consistent with the Company’s Non-Employee Director Compensation Program, Dr. Barlow will be entitled to receive (a) an annual cash retainer of \$40,000, (b) an annual cash retainer of \$7,500 for her service on the Audit Committee, (c) an annual cash retainer of \$5,000 for her service on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and (d) an initial award of options to purchase 16,000 shares of the Company’s common stock. The option award has an exercise price equal to \$5.89, which was the fair market value of a share of the Company’s common stock on the date of grant, and vested and became exercisable immediately with respect to 25% of such shares and, with respect to the remaining shares, will vest and become exercisable in equal parts on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant. Dr. Barlow will also enter into the Company’s standard indemnification agreement for directors and officers.

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.

Date: February 12, 2021

CONTRAFECT CORPORATION

By: /s/ Natalie Bogdanos
Natalie Bogdanos
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary