

Blackstone Group L.P.  
Form 8-K  
April 12, 2019

**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): April 11, 2019*

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

**(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)**

<b>Delaware</b>	<b>001-33551</b>	<b>20-8875684</b>
<i>(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)</i>	<i>(Commission File Number)</i>	<i>(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)</i>

**345 Park Avenue**

**10154**

**New York, New York**

**(Zip Code)**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

**(212) 583-5000**

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**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)

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.

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

(d)

On April 11, 2019, Kelly Ann Ayotte was appointed to the board of directors of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., the general partner (the General Partner ) of The Blackstone Group L.P. (the Partnership ), and its Audit and Conflicts Committees, effective May 13, 2019.

Ms. Ayotte will receive an annual cash retainer of \$150,000. In addition, Ms. Ayotte will receive, effective May 13, 2019, a grant of deferred restricted common units with a value of \$210,000 under The Blackstone Group L.P. Amended and Restated 2017 Equity Incentive Plan. These deferred restricted common units will vest, and the underlying common units will be delivered, on the first anniversary of the date of grant, subject to Ms. Ayotte's continued service on the board of the directors of the General Partner.

A copy of the press release announcing the appointment of Ms. Ayotte to the board of directors of the General Partner is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	<u>Press release of The Blackstone Group L.P. dated April 11, 2019.</u>

**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.

Date: April 12, 2019

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ John G. Finley  
Name: John G. Finley  
Title: Chief Legal Officer