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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 15, 2008

ProAssurance Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-16533 63-1261433

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

100 Brookwood Place, Birmingham, Alabama 35209 (Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (205) 877-4400

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:

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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))

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### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 15, 2008 we issued a news release reporting ProAssurance's acquisition of the Georgia Lawyers Insurance Company for \$4.3 million in cash, and the expansion of our legal professional liability bsuiness in the far west and Mid-Atlantic states. A copy of that news release, containing important risk factors, is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this filing.

### **Item 9.01** Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 News release reporting ProAssurance's acquisition of the Georgia Lawyers Insurance Company for \$4.3 million in cash, and the expansion of our legal professional liability business.

The information we are furnishing under Items 7.01 and 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8K shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of the general incorporation language of such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### **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: October 16, 2008

PROASSURANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Frank B. O'Neil Frank B. O'Neil Senior Vice President