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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 3, 2021**

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**Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**Nevada**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-31552**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**87-0543688**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2100 Roosevelt Avenue**  
**Springfield, Massachusetts 01104**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(800) 331-0852**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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))

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
<b>Common Stock, Par Value \$0.001 per Share</b>	<b>SWBI</b>	<b>Nasdaq Global Select Market</b>

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

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.

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

We are furnishing the disclosure in this Item 7.01 in connection with the disclosure of information in the form of the textual information from a press release published on May 3, 2021 announcing our plan to divest our Thompson/Center Arms brand. The press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1) is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This Current Report on Form 8-K will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information in the Report that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits.*

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibits</u>
99.1	<a href="#">Press release from Smith &amp; Wesson Brands, Inc., dated May 3, 2021, entitled “Smith &amp; Wesson Brands, Inc. Announces Intent to Divest Thompson/Center™ Brand”</a>
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.

SMITH & WESSON BRANDS, INC.

Date: May 3, 2021

By: /s/ Robert J. Cicero

Robert J. Cicero

Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer,  
and Secretary

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**Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc. Announces Intent to Divest Thompson/Center Arms™ Brand**

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 3rd, 2021** — **Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ Global Select Market: SWBI)**, a leader in firearm manufacturing and design, today announced that it plans to divest its Thompson/Center Arms brand. This decision is part of the Company's broader strategic plan that will focus on its core Smith & Wesson brands.

Mark P. Smith, President and CEO of Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc., said, "Thompson/Center is a beloved hunting brand with a longstanding heritage, and we are committed to ensuring a smooth transition. Thompson/Center Arms' loyal consumers should rest assured that they will continue to receive the world-class firearms, accessories, and customer service support that the brand has been known for since its founding in 1965. We remain fully committed to the hunting and long-range shooting market, and with this divestiture we will be able to now focus on these categories under our iconic Smith & Wesson brand. Additionally, this will allow us to immediately redirect manufacturing capacity to increase overall production volumes, allowing us to gain additional market share while simultaneously increasing profitability."

At this time, a buyer for the Thompson/Center Arms brand has not been identified; however, the divestiture is not expected to have a material financial impact on the Company's first quarter fiscal year 2022 results and the Company expects the divestiture to be accretive to the Company's full year fiscal 2022 through higher overall production levels, increased margins, and lower marketing costs. The Company states that this decision will not result in a workforce reduction as its flexible manufacturing model allows it to repurpose capacity immediately to other areas without a headcount reduction.

Interested parties should contact the company via email at [investorrelations@smith-wesson.com](mailto:investorrelations@smith-wesson.com) or by calling 413-747-3448.

**About Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc.**

Smith & Wesson Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ Global Select: SWBI) is a U.S.-based leader in firearm manufacturing and design, delivering a broad portfolio of quality handgun, long gun, and suppressor products to the global consumer and professional markets under the iconic Smith & Wesson®, M&P®, and Gemtech® brands. The Company also provides manufacturing services, including forging, machining, and precision plastic injection molding services. For more information call (844) 363-5386 or visit [www.smith-wesson.com](http://www.smith-wesson.com).

**Safe Harbor Statement**

Certain statements contained in this press release may be deemed to be forward-looking statements under federal securities laws, and we intend that such forward-looking statements be subject to the safe-harbor created thereby. Such forward-looking statements include our plan to divest our Thompson/Center Arms brand; our expectation that the divestiture will not have a material financial impact on our first quarter fiscal year 2022 results; and our expectation that the divestiture will be accretive to our full year fiscal 2022 through higher overall production levels, increased margins, and lower marketing costs. We caution that these statements are qualified by important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include risks detailed from time to time in our reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2020.