# **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): March 4, 2024

## **OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-40793 (Commission File Number)

87-1309280 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

> 55 Claverick St., Room 325 Providence, RI 02903 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (401) 444-7375

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:

Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value	OCEA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Warrants, each warrant exercisable for one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$11.50	OCEAW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
(Title of Each Class)	(Trading Symbol)	(Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered)

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

#### Item 5.02 Appointment of a Director.

On March 4, 2024, Amy Griffith has been appointed as a director of Ocean Biomedical, Inc. (the "**Company**"). Ms. Griffith currently serves as Head, Government Relations & External Affairs for McCain Foods - North America. She is responsible for the NA Public Affairs strategy and provides strategic leadership and direction on behalf of McCain with policymakers in the United States and Canada. She leads external communications and stakeholder management. Previously, she was the Group Director for the North America Operating unit of the Coca-Cola Company, in this capacity she oversaw public affairs, government relations, sustainability and communications in Canada and the Northeastern United States. Previously, she served as Wells Fargo's State & Local Government Relations Senior Vice President. She was recruited to Wells Fargo's Government Relations and Public Policy team in 2019. In this role, Griffith led Wells Fargo's legislative and political agenda in her region and managed relationships with state and local policymakers and community stakeholders. From 2008-2019, Ms. Griffith led government relations for sixteen states in the Eastern United States for TIAA for over a decade. Prior to that, she worked in the aerospace, high tech, education, private and public sectors, and has managed multiple high-profile political campaigns at the local, state and national level. Griffith serves as an Independent Director for AgriFORCE Growing Systems where she chairs the governance committee. She is a graduate of Gwynedd-Mercy College and holds a Bachelor of Arts in History. Ms. Griffith is well qualified to serve as a director due to her significant experience in government relations, policy and regulatory agencies as well as decades of experience working with companies in both the private and public sectors.

## 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: March 8, 2024

## **OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.**

By: /s/ Jolie Kahn

Jolie Kahn Chief Financial Officer