
**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 30, 2009

HILLENBRAND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-33794 (Commission File Number)	26-1342272 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
One Batesville Boulevard Batesville, Indiana (Address of Principal Executive Offices)		47006 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(812) 934-7500**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address if changed since last report.)

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Item 8.01. Other Events

On March 26, 2009, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (Houston Division) denied plaintiffs' motions for class certification in two previously disclosed antitrust lawsuits against Batesville Casket Company, Inc. and Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc.

Hillenbrand's press release regarding this matter is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The contents of such Exhibit are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated March 30, 2009, issued by Hillenbrand, Inc.

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.

HILLENBRAND, INC.

DATE: March 30, 2009

BY: /s/ John R. Zerkle
John R. Zerkle
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel and
Secretary

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Federal District Judge Denies Class Certification in Funeral Industry Antitrust Litigation

BATESVILLE, Ind., March 30, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — On March 26, 2009, Kenneth M. Hoyt, United States District Judge in the Southern District of Texas (Houston), ruled in support of the memoranda and recommendations of U.S. Magistrate Judge Calvin Botley, and denied class certification in two previously disclosed antitrust lawsuits against Batesville Casket Company, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hillenbrand, Inc.

As previously reported, a self-styled consumer advocacy group, the Funeral Consumers Alliance, and several consumers who had purchased Batesville caskets had filed a purported class-action lawsuit against Batesville Casket Company, Hill-Rom Holdings and three of Batesville's funeral home customers, alleging that the defendants violated antitrust laws. A related lawsuit was filed by four current and former independent casket retailers, alleging similar violations.

"We are pleased with the rulings in these lawsuits, which are a major step forward in the court's recognizing the legitimacy of our century-old policy of selling only through licensed funeral homes," said Kenneth A. Camp, Hillenbrand's president and chief executive officer.

The plaintiffs in both cases now have the option to petition the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit no later than April 9, 2009, for leave to appeal Judge Hoyt's decision.

For further information and background on these cases, please refer to Hillenbrand's most recent SEC Form 10-Q and to the rulings posted on our Web site, <http://www.hillenbrandinc.com>.

ABOUT HILLENBRAND, INC.

Hillenbrand, Inc. (www.HillenbrandInc.com) is the holding company for Batesville Casket Company, a leader in the North American death care industry through the sale of funeral services products, including burial caskets, cremation caskets, containers and urns, selection room display fixturing and other personalization and memorialization products. HI-INC-C

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