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TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVESTORS INC Form 8-K February 19, 2008

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 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): <u>February 15, 2008</u> TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Nevada 001-09240 94-6565852

(State or other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of incorporation) File No.) Identification No.)

1800 Valley View Lane, Suite 300 Dallas, Texas

75234

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 469-522-4200

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

(b) Effective February 15, 2008, Steven A. Abney resigned and ceased to be the principal financial officer and the principal accounting officer of Transcontinental Realty Investors, Inc. (the Company or TCI or the Registrant). Mr. Abney had no disagreement with the Registrant on any matter relating to the Registrant s operations, policies or practices. Mr. Abney, who was appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant effective September 29, 2005 is departing as he has accepted employment with an unrelated entity.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly-caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly-authorized.

Dated: February 18, 2008 TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

By: /s/ Louis J. Corna Louis J. Corna, Vice President - General Counsel/ Tax Counsel and Secretary

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