



DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;  
ITEM 5.02 APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN  
OFFICERS.

John F. Meier, a director of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. (“Applied”) since 2005, age 69, retired from the Board of Directors on January 10, 2017. Mr. Meier’s retirement was for personal reasons and did not result from any disagreement with Applied.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Fred D. Bauer  
Fred D. Bauer, Vice President-General Counsel & Secretary

Date: January 13, 2017