# 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: February 03, 2012** (Date of earliest event reported)

**PennantPark Investment Corporation** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 814-00736 (Commission File Number) **20-8250744** (IRS Employer Identification Number)

10022

(Zip Code)

590 Madison Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY

(Address of principal executive offices)

212-905-1000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable** 

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

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)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On February 3, 2012, PennantPark Investment Corporation issued a press release announcing that it received Investment Grade Ratings from both Standard & Poor's and Fitch. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information in this report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section. The information in this report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filling under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial statements:

None

- (b) Pro forma financial information: None
- (c) Shell company transactions: None
  (d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of PennantPark Investment Corporation dated February 03, 2012

# 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.

Dated: February 03, 2012

# PENNANTPARK INVESTMENT CORPORATION

By: <u>/s/ Aviv Efrat</u> Aviv Efrat *Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer* 

# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No.

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<u>Description</u> Press Release of PennantPark Investment Corporation dated February 03, 2012

## PennantPark Investment Corporation Receives Investment Grade Ratings From Both Standard & Poor's and Fitch

NEW YORK, NY -- (Marketwire - February 03, 2012) - PennantPark Investment Corporation (the "Company") (NASDAQ: PNNT) announced today that both Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and Fitch Ratings Services assigned it credit ratings of BBB-.

"We are extremely pleased with the investment grade ratings assigned to us by Standard & Poor's and Fitch and believe that they are a reflection of the institutionalization of our strategy, team and processes as well as the credit quality and investment performance of our portfolio over the long run," said Arthur Penn, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

### ABOUT PENNANTPARK INVESTMENT CORPORATION

PennantPark Investment Corporation is a business development company which principally invests in U.S. middle-market private companies in the form of senior secured loans, mezzanine debt and equity investments. PennantPark Investment Corporation is managed by PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this press release are forward-looking statements and are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including those described from time to time in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no duty to update any forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this press release.

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