

Ocean Rig UDW Inc.  
Form 6-K  
July 23, 2018

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July 2018

Commission File Number 001-35298

OCEAN RIG UDW INC.

Ocean Rig Cayman Management Services SEZC Limited  
3rd Floor Flagship Building  
Harbour Drive, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached to this Report on Form 6-K as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release of Ocean Rig UDW Inc. (the "Company"), dated July 23, 2018: Ocean Rig UDW Inc. Announces Updates to Rig Employment.

The information contained in this Report on Form 6-K, with the exception of the President and Chief Executive Officer's quote, is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's registration statement on Form F-3 (File no. 333- 223758) that was filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission effective March 19, 2018.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

OCEAN RIG UDW  
INC.

Dated: July 23, 2018 By: /s/ Iraklis  
Sbarounis  
Iraklis Sbarounis  
Chief Financial Officer