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**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):  
**December 16, 2003**

**Commission File Number: 0-21660**

**PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**61-1203323**  
(I.R.S. Employer identification  
number)

**2002 Papa Johns Boulevard  
Louisville, Kentucky 40299-2334**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(502) 261-7272**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Item 5. Other Events**

On December 16, 2003, Papa John's International, Inc. announced the appointment of William M. Street to its board of directors. Mr. Street's term will expire at the company's 2004 annual meeting of stockholders.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Papa John's International, Inc. press release dated December 16, 2003.

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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.

**PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

(Registrant)

Date: December 17, 2003

/s/ J. David Flanery  
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J. David Flanery  
Senior Vice President of Finance and  
Principal Accounting Officer



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**WILLIAM M. STREET APPOINTED TO  
PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Louisville, KY (December 16, 2003) – Papa John's International, Inc. (Nasdaq: PZZA) announced today the appointment of William M. Street to its board of directors. Mr. Street's term commences today and will expire at the company's 2004 annual meeting of stockholders.

Mr. Street recently retired as President of Brown-Forman Corporation (NYSE: BFB) and CEO of Brown-Forman Beverages. During his 40+ years with Brown-Forman, Street rose through the ranks of sales and marketing to executive management. In 1986, Street assumed the post of president of Brown-Forman Beverage Company and was named chief executive officer of the Beverage Company in 1993. He continues as a member of the Brown-Forman Corporation Board of Directors, where he has served since 1971. Street is a graduate of Princeton University and the Harvard Business School.

"We're honored to have Bill join our Board," said John H. Schnatter, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Papa John's. "We look forward to his contributions as we continue to grow the Papa John's brand. He brings strategic brand strength and expertise to the team."

Headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky, Papa John's International, Inc. is the third largest pizza company in America. At November 23, 2003, there were 2,796 Papa John's restaurants (571 company-owned and 2,225 franchised) operating in 49 states and 14 international markets. Papa John's also franchises 135 Perfect Pizza restaurants in the United Kingdom. For more information

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about the company, or to order pizza online, visit Papa John's on the Internet at [www.papajohns.com](http://www.papajohns.com).

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