## **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): July 27, 2022

**CEPTON, INC.** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware  | 001-39959   | 27-2447291   |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)  | (Commission File Number)  | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.)                     |
| (Address o  | 399 West Trimble Road San Jose, CA 95131 f principal executive offices, including | zin code)  |
| •   | lephone number, including area code: 4  | • /  |
| -   | ne or former address, if changed since  |  |
| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing following provisions:  | _   | •  |
| ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under th  | ne Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  |  |
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| ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule  | 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 (   | CFR 240.14d-2(b))  |
| ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule  | 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 C   | CFR 240.13e-4(c))  |
| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:   |   |  |
| Title of Each Class:  | Trading Symbol(s)   | Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered:               |
| Common stock, par value \$0.00001 per share   | CPTN  | The Nasdaq Capital Market                                |
| Redeemable warrants, exercisable for common stock at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share, subject to adjustment      | CPTNW   | The Nasdaq Capital Market                                |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emer<br>chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 19 |   | tule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this |
|   |   | Emerging growth company $oxtimes$                        |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant    |   |  |
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### Item 5.02 Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On July 27, 2022, the board of directors (the "Board") of Cepton, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") appointed Dr. Liqun Han as Chief Operating Officer of the Company, with such appointment to be effective on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. In this role, Dr. Han will serve as the principal operating officer of the Company. Dr. Han, age 53, previously served as the Company's Senior Vice President of Operations from February 2022 until August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, and served in such role for Cepton Technologies, Inc. from October 2016 to September 2020. Prior to joining Cepton Technologies, Inc., Dr. Han was Director of Engineering & Technology at KLA-Tencor, responsible for core technology innovation and new product introduction. Dr. Han received a Ph.D. in Applied Physics and a M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University, with a specialty in solid-state electronics and optics.

Dr. Han's existing compensation and indemnification agreements with the Company remain unchanged following the promotion. Dr. Han has been granted an additional equity award consisting of 200,000 restricted stock units that will vest, subject to Dr. Han's continued employment, in four annual installments measured from August 20, 2022.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Dr. Han and any other person pursuant to which Dr. Han was appointed as Chief Operating Officer and there are no family relationships between Dr. Han and any director or other executive officer of the Company, and he has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Document   |
|-------------|--|
| 104         | Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the inline XBRL document). |
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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 hereunto duly authorized.

CEPTON, INC.

Date: July 29, 2022 By: /s/ Jun Pei

Name: Jun Pei

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer