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

**FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT**
*Under
The Securities Act of 1933*

BlackLine, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

46-3354276
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

**21300 Victory Boulevard, 12th Floor
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
(818) 223-9008**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

2016 Equity Incentive Plan
(Full title of the plan)

**Marc Huffman
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Large accelerated filer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Accelerated filer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Non-accelerated filer | <input type="checkbox"/> | Smaller reporting company | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | Emerging growth company | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the “**Registration Statement**”) registers additional shares of common stock of BlackLine, Inc. (the “**Registrant**”) reserved for issuance under the Registrant’s 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the “**2016 Plan**”). The number of shares of the Registrant’s common stock available for grant and issuance under the 2016 Plan is subject to an annual increase on the first day of each fiscal year starting on January 1, 2017, by an amount equal to the least of (i) 6,196,000 shares, (ii) five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of the Registrant’s common stock on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year or (iii) a lower number of shares of common stock determined by the Registrant’s board of directors or a committee thereof.

This Registration Statement registers an aggregate of 3,000,841 shares of the Registrant’s common stock available for grant and issuance under the 2016 Plan, all of which became available for grant and issuance under the 2016 Plan on January 1, 2023.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

The information specified in Item 1 and Item 2 of Part I of Form S-8 is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with the provisions of Rule 428 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and the introductory note to Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be delivered to the participants in the equity benefit plans covered by this Registration Statement as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The Registrant hereby incorporates by reference into this Registration Statement the following documents previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”):

(1) The Registrant’s Annual Report on [Form 10-K](#) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, filed with the Commission on February 23, 2023 pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”);

(2) All other reports filed by the Registrant with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Registrant’s Annual Report referred to in (1) above (excluding any documents or portions of documents that are furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of a current report on Form 8-K and any exhibits included with such items); and

(3) The description of the Registrant’s Common Stock contained in the Company’s Registration Statement on [Form 8-A](#) filed with the Commission on October 18, 2016, pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, as updated by the description of the Registrant’s registered securities contained in [Exhibit 4.2](#) to the Registrant’s Annual Report on [Form 10-K](#) for its fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, filed with the Commission on February 23, 2023, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act on or after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement that indicates that all securities offered have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document which also is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law authorizes a corporation's board of directors to grant, and authorizes a court to award, indemnity to officers, directors, and other corporate agents.

The Registrant's amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws contain provisions that limit the liability of its directors for monetary damages to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law. Consequently, the Registrant's directors will not be personally liable to it or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duties as directors, except liability for the following:

- any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Registrant or its stockholders;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions; and
- any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Any amendment to, or repeal of, these provisions will not eliminate or reduce the effect of these provisions in respect of any act, omission or claim that occurred or arose prior to that amendment or repeal. If the Delaware General Corporation Law is amended to provide for further limitations on the personal liability of directors of corporations, then the personal liability of the Registrant's directors will be further limited to the greatest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Further, the Registrant has entered into or will enter into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and executive officers that may be broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained in the Delaware General Corporation Law. These agreements require the Registrant to provide indemnification for certain expenses and liabilities incurred in connection with any action, suit, proceeding, or alternative dispute resolution mechanism, or hearing, inquiry, or investigation that may lead to the foregoing, against its directors and executive officers to which they are a party, or are threatened to be made a party, by reason of the fact that they are or were a director, officer, employee, agent, or fiduciary of our company, or any of our subsidiaries, by reason of any action or inaction by them while serving as an officer, director, employee, agent, or fiduciary, or by reason of the fact that they were serving at our request as a director, officer, employee, agent, or fiduciary of another entity. In the case of an action or proceeding by, or in the right of, the Registrant or any of its subsidiaries, no indemnification will be provided for any claim where a court determines that the indemnified party is prohibited from receiving indemnification. The Registrant believes that these agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve as directors and executive officers.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions that are included in the Registrant's amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws and in indemnification agreements that the Registrant has entered into or will enter into with its directors and executive officers may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against its directors and executive officers for breach of their fiduciary duties. They may also reduce the likelihood of derivative litigation against the Registrant's directors and executive officers, even though an action, if successful, might benefit the Registrant and other stockholders. Further, a stockholder's investment may be adversely affected to the extent that the Registrant pays the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and executive officers as required by these indemnification provisions. At present, the Registrant is not aware of any pending litigation or proceeding involving any person who is or was one of its directors, officers, employees or other agents or is or was serving at its request as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, for which indemnification is sought, and the Registrant is not aware of any threatened litigation that may result in claims for indemnification.

The Registrant has obtained insurance policies under which, subject to the limitations of the policies, coverage is provided to its directors and executive officers against loss arising from claims made by reason of breach of fiduciary duty or other wrongful acts as a director or executive officer, including claims relating to public securities matters, and to the Registrant with respect to payments that may be made by it to these directors and executive officers pursuant to its indemnification obligations or otherwise as a matter of law.

Certain of the Registrant's non-employee directors may, through their relationships with their employers, be insured and/or indemnified against certain liabilities incurred in their capacity as members of the Registrant's board of directors.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description | Incorporated by Reference | | | |
|----------------|---|---------------------------|------------|---------|-------------|
| | | Form | File No. | Exhibit | Filing Date |
| 4.1 | Specimen common stock certificate of the Registrant | S-1 | 333-213899 | 4.1 | 9/30/2016 |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation | | | | |
| 23.1 | Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm | | | | |
| 23.2 | Consent of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation (contained in Exhibit 5.1 hereto) | | | | |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney (contained on signature page hereto) | | | | |
| 99.1 | 2016 Equity Incentive Plan and form of equity award agreements thereunder | S-1/A | 333-213899 | 10.10 | 10/17/2016 |
| 107.1 | Filing Fee Table | | | | |

Item 9. Undertakings.

A. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement.

Provided, however, that paragraphs (A)(1)(i) and (A)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
 - (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- B. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- C. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Woodland Hills, State of California, on February 23, 2023.

BLACKLINE, INC.

By: /s/ Marc Huffman

Name: Marc Huffman

Title: Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Marc Huffman and Mark Partin, and each of them, as such individual's true and lawful attorney in fact and agent with full power of substitution, for such individual in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Registration Statement on Form S-8 (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney in fact, proxy and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully for all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney in fact, proxy and agent, or the individual's substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement on Form S-8 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| <u>Signature</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Date</u> |
|---|---|-------------------|
| <u>/s/ Marc Huffman</u> Marc Huffman | Director and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Mark Partin</u> Mark Partin | Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Patrick Villanova</u> Patrick Villanova | Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Brunilda Rios</u> Brunilda Rios | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Owen Ryan</u> Owen Ryan | Director | February 23, 2023 |

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| <u>/s/ Kevin Thompson</u> Kevin Thompson | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Therese Tucker</u> Therese Tucker | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Thomas Unterman</u> Thomas Unterman | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Sophia Velastegui</u> Sophia Velastegui | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Barbara Whye</u> Barbara Whye | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Mika Yamamoto</u> Mika Yamamoto | Director | February 23, 2023 |
| <u>/s/ Amit Yoran</u> Amit Yoran | Director | February 23, 2023 |



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February 23, 2023

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Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "**Registration Statement**") to be filed by BlackLine, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about the date hereof, in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of 3,000,841 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "**Shares**"), reserved for issuance pursuant to the BlackLine, Inc. 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "**Plan**").

On the basis of the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, we are of the opinion that the Shares, when issued and sold in the manner referred to in the Plan and pursuant to the agreements that accompany the Plan, will be legally and validly issued, fully paid, and nonassessable.

We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, and further consent to the use of our name wherever appearing in the Registration Statement and any amendments thereto.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C.

WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI
Professional Corporation

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of BlackLine, Inc. of our report dated February 23, 2023 relating to the financial statements and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in BlackLine, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Los Angeles, CA
February 23, 2023

Calculation of Filing Fee Tables

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(Form Type)

BlackLine, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Table 1 – Newly Registered Securities

| Security Type | Security Class Title | Fee Calculation Rule | Amount Registered(1) | Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit | Maximum Aggregate Offering Price | Fee Rate | Amount of Registration Fee |
|------------------------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------------|
| Equity | Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, reserved for issuance pursuant to the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan | Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h) | 3,000,841(2) | \$70.55(3) | \$211,709,333 | 0.00011020 | \$23,331 |
| Total Offering Amounts | | | | | \$211,709,333 | | \$23,331 |
| Total Fee Offsets(4) | | | | | | | — |
| Net Fee Due | | | | | | | \$23,331 |

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of the Registrant's common stock that become issuable under the 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (the "**2016 Plan**") by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without receipt of consideration that increases the number of the Registrant's outstanding shares of common stock.
- (2) Represents an automatic increase of 5% of the outstanding shares of the Registrant's common stock on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year to the number of the Registrant's common stock reserved for issuance under, and which annual increase is provided for, in the 2016 Plan.
- (3) Estimated in accordance with Rule 457 (c) and (h) solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee on the basis of \$70.55 per share, the average of the high and low sale prices of the Registrant's common stock as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Stock Market on February 21, 2023.
- (4) The Registrant does not have any fee offsets.