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## **FORM 8-A12G**

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Registration of certain classes of securities 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act

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

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

**CITADEL EXPLORATION, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Nevada**

(State of incorporation or organization)

**27-1550482**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**420 Bryant Circle, Unit D**

**Ojai, CA**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**93023**

(Zip Code)

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Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class  
to be so registered

**None**

Name of each exchange of which  
each class is to be registered

**Not Applicable**

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box.

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: **Form S-1; File No. 333-164850.**

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

**Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share**  
(Title of class)

## Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The description of securities contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 11, 2010 (File No. 333-164850) is incorporated by reference into this registration statement.

## Item 2. Exhibits.

Exhibit	Description
3(i)(a)	Articles of Incorporation <sup>(1)</sup>
3(i)(b)	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, filed on March 10, 2011 <sup>(2)</sup>
3(i)(c)	Certificate of Change to Articles of Incorporation, filed on March 10, 2011 <sup>(2)</sup>
3(ii)(a)	Bylaws <sup>(1)</sup>
4	<i>Instrument defining the rights of security holders:</i> (a)Articles of Incorporation <sup>(1)</sup> (b)Bylaws <sup>(1)</sup> (c)Stock Certificate Specimen <sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Previously attached with the Company's initial filing of Form S-1, SEC file number 333-164850, filed on February 11, 2010, and incorporated by reference herein as an exhibit to this Form 8-A.

(2) Previously attached with the Company's current report on Form 8-K/A, filed on March 10, 2011, and incorporated by reference herein as an exhibit to this Form 8-A.

## SIGNATURES

In accordance with Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

### Citadel Exploration, Inc.

By: /s/ Armen Nahabedian  
Armen Nahabedian, President