Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

EQUIFAX INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Non-accelerated filer

58-0401110 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1550 Peachtree Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
(404) 885-8000
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

EQUIFAX INC. 2020 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

(Full title of the plan)

John J. Kelley III, Esq.
Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary
1550 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30309
(404) 885-8000
(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark who	ther the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, anon-accelerated filer, a sm	aller reporting company or an		
emerging growth company.	See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting compar	ny" and "emerging growth		
company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):				
Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer		

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 7(a)(2)(B) of Securities Act. \Box

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Amount	Proposed Maximum	Proposed Maximum	
Title of Securities	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
to be Registered(1)	Registered(2)	Per Share(3)	Offering Price(3)	Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$1.25 per share	750,000 shares	\$167.48	\$125,610,000	\$16,304.18

- (1) This registration statement (the "Registration Statement") registers the issuance of an aggregate of 750,000 shares of the common stock of Equifax Inc. (the "Registrant"), par value \$1.25 per share (the "Common Stock"), reserved for issuance under the Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement also covers an indeterminate number of shares that may become issuable under the plan as a result of a stock split, stock dividend or similar adjustment of the outstanding Common Stock.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933 on the basis of \$167.48 per share, which was the average of high and low sales prices of the Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on July 20, 2020.

Explanatory Note

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 is filed by Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Registrant"), relating to 750,000 shares of its common stock, par value \$1.25 per share (the "Common Stock"), issuable under the Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan").

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The documents containing the information required in Part I of this Registration Statement will be sent or given to the persons participating in the Plan, as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act"). In accordance with the instructions to Part I of Form S-8, such documents will not be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 promulgated under the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The reports listed below have been filed by the Registrant with the SEC and are incorporated herein by reference to the extent not superseded by reports or other information subsequently filed or furnished. All of Registrant's reports filed with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to filing a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which 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 reports.

- (a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed with the SEC on February 20, 2020;
- (b) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, filed with the SEC on April 21, 2020;
- (c) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, filed with the SEC on July 23, 2020;
- (d) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 14, 2020, April 27, 2020 and May 12, 2020;
- (e) All other reports filed with the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since December 31, 2019; and
- (f) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 10/A filed with the SEC on July 30, 2010 (Amendment No. 1), and any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Any statement contained herein or 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 in any subsequently filed document which also is or 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.

The securities to be offered are registered under Section 12 of the Exchange Act.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Certain legal matters in connection with the Common Stock offered hereby will be passed upon for the Registrant by John J. Kelley III, Esq., Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary. Mr. Kelley beneficially owns, or has rights to acquire under employee benefit plans, less than one percent of the Registrant's outstanding shares of Common Stock.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Set forth below is a description of certain provisions of the amended and restated articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Registrant and the Georgia Business Corporation Code (the "GBCC"), as such provisions relate to the indemnification of the directors and officers of the Registrant. This description is intended only as a summary and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Registrant's amended and restated articles of incorporation and bylaws and the GBCC.

Section 14-2-851 of the GBCC provides that a corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because he or she is or was a director against liability incurred in the proceeding if: (1) such individual conducted himself or herself in good faith; and (2) such individual reasonably believed: (a) in the case of conduct in his or her official capacity, that such conduct was in the best interests of the corporation; (b) in all other cases, that such conduct was at least not opposed to the best interests of the corporation; and (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, that the individual had no reasonable cause to believe such conduct was unlawful. Section 14-2-851 further provides that a corporation may not indemnify a director: (1) in connection with a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation, except for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the proceeding if it is determined that the director has met the relevant standard of conduct; or (2) in connection with any proceeding with respect to conduct for which he or she was adjudged liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received by him or her, whether or not involving action in his or her official capacity.

Section 14-2-852 of the GBCC provides that a corporation shall indemnify a director who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director was a party because he or she was a director of the corporation against reasonable expenses incurred by the director in connection with the proceeding.

Additionally, Section 14-2-854 of the GBCC provides that the court conducting the proceeding or another court of competent jurisdiction, upon application by a director, may order indemnification or advance for expenses (1) if the director is entitled to indemnification or advancement for expenses pursuant to the GBCC or (2) if, in consideration of all relevant circumstances, the court determines that the individual is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification, whether or not the standard of conduct set forth above was met and even if the director has been adjudged liable; provided, however, that if the director has been adjudged so liable, the indemnification is limited to reasonable expenses incurred.

Section 14-2-857 of the GBCC provides that a corporation may indemnify and advance expenses to an officer of the corporation (1) to the same extent as a director; and (2) if he or she is not a director, to such further extent as may be provided by the articles of incorporation, the bylaws, a resolution of the board of directors, or contract, except for liability arising out of conduct that constitutes: (a) appropriation of any business opportunity of the corporation; (b) acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (c) unlawful distribution; or (d) receipt of an improper personal benefit. Section 14-2-857 further provides that an officer of the corporation who is not a director is entitled to mandatory indemnification under Section 14-2-852 and may apply to a court under Section 14-2-854 for indemnification or advances for expenses, in each case to the same extent to which a director may be entitled to indemnification or advances for expenses under those provisions.

The amended and restated articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Registrant provide for indemnification of directors, officers, employees and agents and advancement of expenses to the fullest extent permitted under the GBCC.

Section 14-2-202(b)(4) of the GBCC provides that a corporation may, in its articles of incorporation, eliminate or limit the liability of a director to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for any action taken, or any failure to take any action, as a director, except liability for: (1) any appropriation, in violation of his or her duties, of any business opportunity of the corporation; (2) acts or omissions which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (3) unlawful distributions; or (4) any transaction from which the director received an improper personal benefit, provided that no such provision shall eliminate or limit the liability of a director for any act or omission occurring prior to the date when such provision becomes effective.

The Registrant's amended and restated articles of incorporation limit the personal liability of directors to the same extent as the GBCC.

The Registrant's amended and restated articles of incorporation also provide that the indemnification rights contained therein shall not be exclusive of any additional indemnification that the board of directors may deem advisable or of any rights to which those indemnified may otherwise be entitled. The Registrant has purchased and maintains liability insurance to protect its directors and officers against any liability asserted against them or incurred by them as permitted by its amended and restated articles of incorporation and Section 14-2-858 of the GBCC. The insuring of the directors and officers is permitted whether or not the Registrant would have the power to indemnify that director or officer under its amended and restated articles of incorporation and bylaws or the terms of the GBCC.

The Registrant has also entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and executive officers. The indemnification agreements supplement the Registrant's amended and restated articles of incorporation, bylaws and the GBCC in providing certain indemnification rights to the Registrant's directors and executive officers. The indemnification agreements provide, among other things, that the Registrant will indemnify its directors and executive officers to the fullest extent permitted by the GBCC and to any greater extent that the GBCC may in the future permit, including the advancement of legal fees and other expenses incurred by the directors and/or executive officers in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether of a civil, criminal, administrative, arbitrative or investigative nature, arising out of the individual's service as a director or executive officer, subject to certain exclusions and procedures set forth in the indemnification agreements.

These indemnification provisions may be sufficiently broad to permit indemnification of the Registrant's directors and officers for liabilities (including reimbursement of expenses incurred) arising under the Securities Act.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The exhibits included as part of this Registration Statement are as follows:

Exhibit Number	Description
5.1	Opinion of John J. Kelley III, Esq., Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary for the Registrant, regarding the validity of the securities to be issued.
10.1*	Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Annex B to Registrant's definitive proxy statement filed on March 27, 2020).
23.1	Consent of John J. Kelley III, Esq., Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary for the Registrant (included in the opinion filed as <u>Exhibit 5.1</u> hereto).
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
24	Powers of Attorney (included on the signature page hereof).

^{*}Incorporated by reference.

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; 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) of this section do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the 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 into this 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 or controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that, in the opinion of the SEC, 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 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 Atlanta, State of Georgia, on this 23rd day of July, 2020.

EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ Mark W. Begor

Mark W. Begor

Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints John W. Gamble, Jr., John J. Kelley III, and James M. Griggs, and each of them, any of whom may act without the joinder of the others, as his or her lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution for him or her and in any and all capacities, to sign any or all amendments or post-effective amendments to this Registration Statement, including post-effective amendments filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and to file the same with all exhibits hereto and other documents in connection therewith with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, to sign any and all applications, Registration Statements, notices or other documents necessary or advisable to comply with the applicable state securities laws, and to file the same, together with all other documents in connection therewith, with the appropriate state securities authorities, granting unto such attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary in connection with such matters and hereby, ratifying and confirming all that such attorneys-in-fact and agents, or his or her 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 has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Mark W. Begor Mark W. Begor	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	July 23, 2020
/s/ John W. Gamble, Jr. John W. Gamble, Jr.	Corporate Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	July 23, 2020
/s/ James M. Griggs James M. Griggs	Chief Accounting Officer and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	July 23, 2020

/s/ Mark L. Feidler Mark L. Feidler	Director and Non-Executive Chairman	July 23, 2020
/s/ G. Thomas Hough G. Thomas Hough	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Robert D. Marcus Robert D. Marcus	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Siri S. Marshall Siri S. Marshall	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Scott A. McGregor Scott A. McGregor	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ John A. McKinley John A. McKinley	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Robert W. Selander Robert W. Selander	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Elane B. Stock Elane B. Stock	Director	July 23, 2020
/s/ Heather H. Wilson Heather H. Wilson	Director	July 23, 2020



1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309 (404) 885-8000

July 23, 2020

Equifax Inc. 1550 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Re: Equifax Inc. – Registration Statement on Form S-8 relating to 750,000 shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to the Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary of Equifax Inc., a Georgia corporation (the "Company"), and have acted as counsel for the Company in connection with the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") filed on July 23, 2020 with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933 relating to the proposed offer and sale of 750,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock, par value \$1.25 per share (the "Shares"), pursuant to the Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan").

In connection with this opinion, I have examined and relied upon such records, documents, certificates and other instruments as in my judgment are necessary or appropriate to form the basis for the opinions hereinafter set forth. In all such examinations, I have assumed the genuineness of signatures on original documents and the conformity to such original documents of all copies submitted to me as certified, conformed or photographic copies, and as to certificates of public officials, I have assumed the same to have been properly given and to be accurate. As to matters of fact material to this opinion, I have relied upon statements and representations of representatives of the Company and of public officials.

The opinions expressed herein are limited in all respects to the laws of the State of Georgia, and no opinion is expressed with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction or any effect which such laws may have on the opinions expressed herein. This opinion is limited to the matters stated herein, and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated herein.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, I am of the opinion that:

- (i) the Shares are duly authorized; and
- (ii) upon the issuance of the Shares as provided in the Plan, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

[Signature page follows.]

Powering the World with Knowledge"

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to my name under the caption "Interests of Named Experts and Counsel" in the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

/s/ John J. Kelley III

John J. Kelley III Corporate Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the Equifax Inc. 2020 Employee Stock Purchase Plan of our reports dated February 20, 2020, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Equifax Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Equifax Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP Atlanta, GA July 23, 2020