

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

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**Form S-8**  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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**LEGG MASON, INC.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

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**Maryland**

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

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**52-1200960**

*(IRS Employer Identification Number)*

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**100 International Drive  
Baltimore, Maryland**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

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**21202**

*(Zip code)*

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**LEGG MASON, INC.  
1996 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN**

*(Full title of the plan)*

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**THOMAS C. MERCHANT  
Vice President and General Counsel - Corporate  
Legg Mason, Inc.  
100 International Drive  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202**

*(Name and address of agent for service)*

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**(410) 539-0000**

*(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)*

<u>Title of securities to be registered</u>	<u>Amount to be registered (1)</u>	<u>Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)</u>	<u>Proposed maximum aggregate offering price</u>	<u>Amount of registration fee</u>
Common Stock (\$ .10 Par Value)	6,500,000 shs.	\$26.58	\$172,770,000.00	\$20,058.60

- (1) In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the Legg Mason, Inc. 1996 Equity Incentive Plan in connection with stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457. The proposed maximum offering price per share is based upon the average of the high and low sale prices for Legg Mason, Inc. common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on August 26, 2011.
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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration Statement is filed pursuant to General Instruction E of Form S-8 for the purpose of registering an additional 6,500,000 shares of common stock, \$.10 par value, of Legg Mason, Inc. (the "Registrant") issuable pursuant to the Legg Mason, Inc. 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (the "Plan").

This Registration Statement hereby incorporates by reference the contents of the Registrant's previously filed Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Registration Nos.: 333-08721, 333-86869, 333-118761, 333-146646 and 333-162635).

### PART II. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof:

- (a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.
- (b) The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011.
- (c) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K dated May 3, 2011, June 16, 2011 and July 28, 2011.
- (d) The description of the Registrant's common stock, \$.10 par value, contained in Amendment No. 6 to the Registrant's Application for Registration on Form 8-A, filed September 29, 2006.

In addition to the foregoing, all documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment indicating that all of the securities offered hereunder have been sold or deregistering 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 in this Registration Statement 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 that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

The validity of the shares of the Registrant's common stock registered hereby has been passed upon for the Registrant by Thomas C. Merchant, Esq., the Registrant's Vice President and General Counsel-Corporate. Mr. Merchant beneficially owns, or has rights to acquire under an employee benefit plan of the Registrant, an aggregate of less than one percent of the common stock of the Registrant.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporation Law ("Section 2-418") establishes provisions whereby a Maryland corporation may indemnify any director or officer made a party to an action or proceeding by reason of service in that capacity, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses incurred in connection with such action or proceeding unless it is proved that the director or officer (i) acted in bad faith or with active and deliberate dishonesty, (ii) actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (iii) in the case of a criminal proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his act was unlawful. However, if the proceeding is a derivative suit in favor of the corporation, indemnification may not be made if the individual is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. In no case may indemnification be made until a determination has been reached that the director or officer has met the applicable standard of conduct. Indemnification for reasonable expenses is mandatory if the director or officer has been successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action or proceeding covered by the indemnification statute. The statute also provides for indemnification of directors and officers by court order. The indemnification provided or authorized in the indemnification statute does not preclude a corporation from extending other rights (indemnification or otherwise) to directors and officers.

The Registrant's Bylaws provide for indemnification of any person who is serving or has served as a director or officer of the Registrant, against all liabilities and expenses incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding arising out of such service to the full extent permitted under Maryland law.

The Registrant's officers and directors are insured against certain liabilities under certain policies maintained by the Registrant with aggregate coverage of \$150,000,000.

The foregoing summaries are subject to the complete text of the statute, Bylaws and agreements referred to above and are qualified in their entirety by reference thereto.

Item 8. Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description of Document</u>
4.1	Legg Mason, Inc. 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the definitive proxy statement for the Registrant's 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders).
4.2	Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K for the event on July 26, 2011).
4.3	Bylaws of the Registrant, as amended and restated July 26, 2011 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K for the event on July 26, 2011).
5	Opinion of Thomas C. Merchant, Esq., Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel- Corporate of the Registrant, filed herewith.
23(a)	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, filed herewith.
23(b)	Consent of Thomas C. Merchant, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5).
24	Powers of Attorney of certain directors of the Registrant (included on signature pages hereto).

## SIGNATURES

*The Registrant.* Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, 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 Baltimore, State of Maryland, on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2011.

LEGG MASON, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas C. Merchant

Thomas C. Merchant

Vice President and General Counsel-  
Corporate

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Mark R. Fetting, Peter H. Nachtwey and Thomas C. Merchant, and each of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them acting singly, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing necessary and requisite to be done, as fully and to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
<u>/s/ Mark R. Fetting</u> Mark R. Fetting	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Peter H. Nachtwey</u> Peter H. Nachtwey	Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	August 31, 2011

[SIGNATURES CONTINUED]

<u>/s/ Harold L. Adams</u> Harold L. Adams	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Robert E. Angelica</u> Robert E. Angelica	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Dennis R. Beresford</u> Dennis R. Beresford	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ John T. Cahill</u> John T. Cahill	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Barry W. Huff</u> Barry W. Huff	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ John E. Koerner III</u> John E. Koerner III	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Cheryl Gordon Krongard</u> Cheryl Gordon Krongard	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Scott C. Nuttall</u> Scott C. Nuttall	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Nelson Peltz</u> Nelson Peltz	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ W. Allen Reed</u> W. Allen Reed	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Margaret Milner Richardson</u> Margaret Milner Richardson	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Nicholas J. St. George</u> Nicholas J. St. George	Director	August 31, 2011
<u>/s/ Kurt L. Schmoke</u> Kurt L. Schmoke	Director	August 31, 2011

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