### 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): August 25, 2009

# **MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Commission File Number 001-32559

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization )

1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501 Birmingham, AL (Address of principal executive offices) **20-0191742** (I. R. S. Employer Identification No.)

> **35242** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (205) 969-3755

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

As previously disclosed, the Company and certain of its affiliates are named as defendants in a lawsuit first filed in December 2006 in connection with the termination of leases at our former Houston Town & Country hospital and medical office building. Jury trial for that case, Miguel Franco, M.D., et al v. Memorial Hermann Healthcare System, et al, had been set for September 2009 in Harris County, Texas District Court. For reasons unrelated to the Company or its affiliates, the trial date has now been reset for January 2010.

The information in Item 7.01 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### SIGNATURE

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.

## MEDICAL PROPERTIES TRUST, INC. (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/ R. Steven Hamner</u>

R. Steven Hamner Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: August 25, 2009

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