SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND, INC.

Form 8-A12B June 14, 2012

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 EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State of incorporation or organization)

13-3702911 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

615 East Michigan Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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

Title of each class to be so registered

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

Rights to purchase Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

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. x

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. o

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-178943

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

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

A description of the transferable subscription rights to purchase shares of Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of Special Opportunities Fund, Inc. (the "Registrant") to be registered hereunder is set forth in the information provided under the captions "Convertible Preferred Stock Rights Offering – Basic Subscription Right", "Convertible Preferred Stock Rights Offering – Oversubscription Privilege" and "Convertible Preferred Stock Rights Offering – Transferability of Rights" in the prospectus which forms a part of the Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-178943) filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 9, 2012 (as amended from time to time thereafter, the "Registration Statement"), which information is incorporated herein by reference, and the description contained under such captions included in the form of final prospectus subsequently filed by the Registrant on June 8, 2012 pursuant to Rule 497 under the Securities Act, which form of final prospectus is also incorporated by reference herein.

Item 2. Exhibits.

In accordance with the "Instructions as to Exhibits" with respect to Form 8-A, no exhibits are required to be filed as part of this registration statement because no other securities of the Registrant are registered on The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC and the securities registered hereby are not being registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed by the undersigned, duly authorized.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND, INC.

Date: June 13, 2012 By: /s/ Andrew Dakos

Andrew Dakos

President