

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

FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SERVE ROBOTICS INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

85-3844872  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

730 Broadway  
Redwood City, CA 94063  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Serve Robotics Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan  
(Full Title of the Plans)

Ali Kashani  
Chief Executive Officer  
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(Name and Address of Agent for Service)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Emerging growth company	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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 the Securities Act.

**PART I**

**Information Required in the Section 10(a) Prospectus**

**Item 1. Plan Information.**

The documents containing the information specified in this Item 1 will be sent or given to participants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). In accordance with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the instructions to Form S-8, such documents are not being filed with the SEC either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act.

**Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information.**

The documents containing the information specified in this Item 2 will be sent or given to participants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC and the instructions to Form S-8, such documents are not being filed with the SEC either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act.

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## PART II

### Information Required in the Registration Statement

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

Serve Robotics Inc. (the “Registrant”) hereby incorporates by reference into this Registration Statement the following documents previously filed with the SEC:

- (a) The Registrant’s Annual Report on [Form 10-K](#) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, filed with the SEC on February 29, 2024 (the “FY 2023 Form 10-K”), pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”);
- (b) The Registrant’s Quarterly Report on [Form 10-Q](#) for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, filed with the SEC on May 15, 2024, pursuant to Section 13 of the Exchange Act;
- (c) The Registrant’s Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on [January 3, 2024](#), [February 7, 2024](#), [February 23, 2024](#), [March 7, 2024](#), [April 9, 2024](#), [April 18, 2024](#), [April 23, 2024](#), [April 24, 2024](#), [May 15, 2024](#), [June 3, 2024](#), [July 23, 2024](#), and [July 24, 2024](#); and
- (d) The description of the Registrant’s common stock contained in the Registrant’s registration statement on [Form 10-12G/A](#) filed with the SEC on April 9, 2021, pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act, as updated by the description of the Registrant’s common stock contained in Exhibit 4.8 to the FY 2023 Form 10-K, and including any other amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All reports and definitive proxy or information statements filed pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the filing of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which de-registers all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing such documents, except as to specific sections of such statements as set forth therein.

Unless expressly incorporated into this Registration Statement, a report furnished on Form 8-K prior or subsequent to the date hereof shall not be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement. Any statement contained 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 contained in any subsequently filed document which also is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

The Registrant is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the “DGCL”) authorizes a court to award, or a corporation’s board of directors to grant, indemnity to directors and officers under certain circumstances and subject to certain limitations. The terms of Section 145 of the DGCL are sufficiently broad to permit indemnification under certain circumstances for liabilities, including reimbursement of expenses incurred, arising under the Securities Act.

As permitted by the DGCL, the Registrant’s amended and restated certificate of incorporation contains provisions that limit the liability of its directors for monetary damages to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL for any breach of fiduciary duties as a director, except liability for the following:

- any breach of the director’s duty of loyalty to the Registrant or its stockholders;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- under Section 174 of the DGCL (regarding unlawful dividends, stock purchases or redemptions); or
- any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

As permitted by the DGCL, the Registrant’s amended and restated bylaws provide that:

- the Registrant is required to indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to certain very limited exceptions;
- the Registrant may indemnify its other employees and agents as set forth in the DGCL;
- the Registrant is required to advance expenses, as incurred, to its directors, officers, employees and agents in connection with a legal proceeding, subject to certain very limited exceptions; and
- the indemnification rights conferred in the amended and restated bylaws are not exclusive.

In addition, the Registrant has entered into indemnity agreements with each of its current directors and executive officers. These agreements provide that the Registrant will indemnify each of its directors and such officers to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The Registrant currently carries liability insurance for its directors and executive officers for securities matters.

See also the undertakings set out in response to Item 9 hereof.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Incorporated by Reference				Filed Herewith
		Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
4.1	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Serve Robotics Inc., as currently in effect.</a>	8-K	000- 56237	3.2	August 4, 2023	
4.2	<a href="#">Amended and Restated Bylaws of Serve Robotics Inc., as currently in effect.</a>	8-K	000- 56237	3.3	August 4, 2023	
5.1	<a href="#">Opinion and Consent of Orrick, Herrington &amp; Sutcliffe LLP.</a>					X
23.1	<a href="#">Consent of dbbmckennon, an independent registered public accounting firm.</a>					X
23.2	<a href="#">Consent of Orrick, Herrington &amp; Sutcliffe LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).</a>					X
24	<a href="#">Power of Attorney (included in the signature pages hereto).</a>					X
99.1	<a href="#">Serve Robotics Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan and form of award agreements.</a>	10-K	000- 56237	10.29	February 29, 2024	
99.2	<a href="#">Amendment to Serve Robotics Inc.'s 2023 Equity Incentive Plan.</a>	DEF14A	000- 56237	Appendix B	June 7, 2024	
107.1	<a href="#">Filing Fee Table.</a>					X

**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 this Registration Statement — notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the “Calculation of Filing Fee Tables” or “Calculation of Registration Fee” table, as applicable, in the effective 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 clauses (1)(i) and (1)(ii) shall not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those clauses is contained in periodic 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 this 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; and (3) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered that 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 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 and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the indemnification provisions summarized in Item 6, 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, 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 Redwood City, State of California on July 29, 2024.

### Serve Robotics Inc.

By: /s/ Ali Kashani  
Ali Kashani  
Chief Executive Officer

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned directors and officers of the Registrant, hereby severally constitute and appoint Ali Kashani and Touraj Parang as our true and lawful attorneys, with full power to him to sign for us and in our names in the capacities indicated below, the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed herewith, and any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to said Registration Statement, and to file or cause to be filed the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC, granting unto said attorneys, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as each of them might or could do in person, and hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys, and each of them, or their substitute or substitutes, shall do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney. This power of attorney does not revoke any power of attorney previously granted by the undersigned, or any of them.

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

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Ali Kashani</u> Ali Kashani	Chief Executive Officer, and Chairman of the Board of Directors <i>(principal executive officer)</i>	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ Touraj Parang</u> Touraj Parang	President and Chief Operating Officer and Director	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ Brian Read</u> Brian Read	Chief Financial Officer <i>(principal financial and accounting officer)</i>	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ Euan Abraham</u> Euan Abraham	Chief Hardware & Manufacturing Officer	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ James Buckly Jordan</u> James Buckly Jordan	Director	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ Sarfraz Maredia</u> Sarfraz Maredia	Director	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ David Goldberg</u> David Goldberg	Director	July 29, 2024
<u>/s/ Olivier Vincent</u> Olivier Vincent	Director	July 29, 2024



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July 29, 2024

Serve Robotics Inc.  
730 Broadway  
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for Serve Robotics Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") of the Company's registration statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement"), under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the registration of an aggregate of 3,703,549 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share ("Common Stock" and such shares, the "Shares"), reserved for issuance pursuant to the Serve Robotics Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended by the Amendment to the Serve Robotics Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan, dated July 22, 2024 (as amended, the "2023 Plan"). As your legal counsel, we have reviewed the actions proposed to be taken by you in connection with the issuance and sale of the Shares to be issued under the 2023 Plan.

In connection with this opinion, we have examined and relied upon (i) the Registration Statement; (ii) the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended and restated through the date hereof; (iii) the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, as amended and restated through the date hereof; (iv) the 2023 Plan; and (v) such corporate records of the Company, certificates of public officials, officers of the Company and other persons, and such other documents, agreements and instruments as we have deemed relevant and necessary or appropriate as a basis for our opinion set forth below.

In such examination, we have assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as facsimile, electronic, certified or photostatic copies, and the authenticity of the originals of such copies. In making our examination of documents executed or to be executed, we have assumed that the parties thereto, other than the Company, had or will have the power, corporate or other, to enter into and perform all obligations thereunder and have also assumed the due authorization by all requisite action, corporate or other, and the execution and delivery by such parties of such documents and the validity and binding effect thereof on such parties. As to any facts material to the opinions expressed herein that we did not independently establish or verify, we have relied upon statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Company and others and of public officials.

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Based on the foregoing and subject to the limitations, qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that the Shares to be issued pursuant to the terms of the 2023 Plan have been duly authorized and, when issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms of the 2023 Plan, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

Our opinion herein is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are included in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act, or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP  
Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LL

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**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of Serve Robotics, Inc. of our report dated February 29, 2024 related to the consolidated financial statements which appear in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Serve Robotics, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2023, which includes an explanatory paragraph regarding the substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

*/s/ dbbmckennon*

Newport Beach, California  
July 29, 2024

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## Calculation of Filing Fee Tables

Form S-8  
(Form Type)Serve Robotics Inc.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Table 1: Newly Registered Securities

Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee
Equity	Common Stock	457(h)	3,703,549	\$ 0.61(2)	\$2,259,164.89	0.00014760	\$ 333.45
<b>Total Offering Amounts</b>					\$2,259,164.89		\$ 333.45
<b>Total Fee Offsets</b>							—
<b>Net Fee Due</b>							<u>\$ 333.45</u>

(1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), the registration statement on Form S-8 to which this exhibit relates shall also cover any additional shares of the common stock, \$0.0001 par value (“Common Stock”), of Serve Robotics Inc. (the “Registrant”) that become issuable in respect of the securities identified in the above table by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without the Registrant’s receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock.

(2) Calculated solely for the purposes of this offering under Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act on the basis of the weighted average exercise price for stock options outstanding under the Serve Robotics Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.