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REGISTRATION NO. 333-----

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC.  
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

CALIFORNIA (STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION)	6282 (PRIMARY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER)	(I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION 68-NO.) 227
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750 GRANT AVENUE, SUITE 100  
NOVATO, CALIFORNIA 94945  
(415) 899-1555  
(ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE OF  
REGISTRANT'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES.)

NEIL J. HENNESSY  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
HENNESSY ADVISORS, INC.  
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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: As soon  
as practicable after this registration statement is declared effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on  
a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of  
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### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

TITLE OF EACH CLASS OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED (1)	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE
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