SUGARMAN JAY Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **SUGARMAN JAY** Issuer Symbol ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1114 AVENUE OF THE 10/09/2006 below) AMERICAS, 27TH FLOOR Chairman and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10036 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock, \$.001 par value	10/09/2006		S	33,000 (1)	D		2,036,692 (1)	D	
Common stock, \$.001 par value	10/09/2006		J	0	D	\$ 0	697,344 <u>(1)</u>	I	By family trusts

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	Secui
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					of (D)						(Instr
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					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable	Date	of			
				Codo V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
SUGARMAN JAY					
1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 27TH FLOOR	X		Chairman and CEO		

NEW YORK, NY 10036

Signatures

s/ Jay Sugarman

10/09/2006 Date

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On October 9, 2006, 33,000 shares of common stock of iStar Financial Inc. were sold for the account of the reporting person pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan initially adopted by the reporting person on August 24, 2005. Following the completion of this transaction, the reporting person is the beneficial owner of a total of 2,734,036 shares of common stock of iStar Financial Inc., of which 2,036,692 shares are owned directly and 697,344 shares are owned indirectly through three family trusts. In addition, the reporting person owns 41,073 restricted stock units, representing the right to receive an equivalent number of shares of iStar common stock if and when the units have vested.

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