ISTAR FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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1. Name and Ad DISTASO D	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O ISTAR AVENUE O 39TH FLOO	F THE AME		(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2014	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			

NEW YORK, NY 10036

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(City)	(State) (Z	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		etic	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/10/2014		A	V	6,667 (1)	A	\$0	80,010 (4)	D		
Common Stock	12/10/2014		F	V	3,438 (1)	D	\$0	80,010 (4)	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2014		A	V	27,370 (2)	A	\$ 0	80,010 (4)	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2014		F	V	14,114 (2)	D	\$0	80,010 (4)	D		
Common Stock	01/30/2015		A	V	15,529 (3)	A	\$0	80,010 (4)	D		

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 $F = V \frac{5,741}{_{(3)}} \quad D = \$ 0$ Common 01/30/2015 80,010 (4) D Stock Restricted 41,875 (4) D Stock Units

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 6. Date Exercisable and 8. Price of 4. 5. 7. Title and Derivative Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date** Amount of Security or Exercise Code of (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Security (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities (Instr. 5) Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount Expiration Title Number Date Exercisable Date of Code V (A) (D) Shares

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director

10% Owner

DISTASO DAVID MICHAEL C/O ISTAR FINANCIAL 1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 39TH **FLOOR** NEW YORK, NY 10036

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Officer

Signatures

David M. 03/12/2015 DiStaso

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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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).
- Effective December 10, 2014, the Reporting Person, Mr. David DiStaso, acquired 6,667 shares of iStar common stock upon the vesting of (1) Units pursuant to an award January 10, 2013, which award has been previously reported on Form 4. After deducting 3,438 shares for applicable tax withholding, the Reporting Person acquired a net amount of 3,229 shares of iStar common stock.
- Effective December 31, 2014, the Reporting Person acquired 27,370 shares of iStar common stock upon the vesting of Units at 195.5% of the target amount of the original award, following achievement of performance and service conditions pursuant to an award dated February 1, 2013, which award was previously reported on Form 4. After deducting 14,114 shares for applicable tax withholding, the Reporting Person acquired a net amount of 13,256 shares of iStar common stock.
- Effective January 30, 2015, the Reporting Person has been granted 15,529 shares of iStar common stock in connection with an annual incentive award. After deducting 5,741 shares for applicable tax withholding, the Reporting Person acquired a net amount of 9,788 shares in a transaction completed after payroll processing. The Shares are fully vested and are subject to transfer restrictions which provide that one-half of the Shares may not be sold for one year and one-half of the Shares may not be sold for two years from the date of the award.
- Following these transactions, the Reporting Person is the direct beneficial owner of 80,010 shares of iStar common stock and also owns a (4) total of 41,875 Units, representing the right to receive an equivalent number of shares of iStar common stock (net of shares deducted for applicable taxes and other withholdings) if and when the Units vest.

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