MFA FINANCIAL, INC.

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Last)

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Yarad Stephen D.

(First)

C/O MFA FINANCIAL, INC., 350

(Ctata)

PARK AVENUE, 20TH FLOOR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(7:-

MFA FINANCIAL, INC. [MFA]

below)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

12/09/2014

Chief Financial Officer

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)	(State) (Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code				Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/09/2014		A	6,723 (1)	A	\$ 0	25,553	D		
Common Stock	12/09/2014		F	2,487 (2)	D	\$ 8.33	23,066	D		

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

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				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Yarad Stephen D. C/O MFA FINANCIAL, INC. 350 PARK AVENUE, 20TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/Stephen D. 12/11/2014 Yarad

**Signature of Date 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).
- The shares acquired by the Reporting Person were received as a portion of the Reporting Person's annual incentive compensation and are (1) fully vested as of the date of grant. The net shares acquired (i.e., net of the surrender of a portion of the shares acquired in order to satisfy tax obligations) are subject to a three-year holding period and may not be sold or otherwise transferred prior to December 9, 2017.
- The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the receipt by the Reporting Person of the shares described in Note 1.

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