

Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 ROTHSTEIN STUART

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. [ARI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, 9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/31/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

NEW YORK, NY 10019  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2016                           |  | A                              | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>A   | 4,744<br>\$ 0<br>(1) (1)  | 218,251  | D                                 |

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)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| ROTHSTEIN STUART<br>C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC<br>9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10019 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Jessica L. Lomm, as  
Attorney-in-Fact  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

09/02/2016  
Date

## 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).
- (1) Received in exchange for common stock of Apollo Residential Mortgage, Inc. ("AMTG") at an exchange ratio of 0.417571 of a share of Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. ("ARI") common stock for each share of AMTG common stock in connection with the merger of AMTG into ARI on August 31, 2016. The closing price of AMTG common stock on the last day prior to the effective time of the merger was \$13.64 per share. The reporting person also received \$6.86 in cash for each share of AMTG common stock in the merger.
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