MFA FINANCIAL, INC. Form 8-K October 31, 2011

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 31, 2011

MFA FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) **1-13991** (Commission File Number)

13-3974868 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

350 Park Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10022 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 207-6400

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Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

MFA Financial, Inc. is confirming in this report that it has no outstanding repurchase agreement balances with or other financial exposures to MF Global Holdings Ltd. or any of its subsidiaries.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MFA FINANCIAL, INC. (REGISTRANT)

By:

/s/ Harold E. Schwartz Name: Title:

Harold E. Schwartz Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Date: October 31, 2011

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