#### ZIMMERMAN STEWART

Form 4 January 04, 2011

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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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 ZIMMERMAN STEWART Issuer Symbol MFA FINANCIAL, INC. [MFA] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title C/O MFA FINANCIAL, INC., 350 01/03/2011 below) PARK AVENUE, 21ST 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 10022 Person (City) (State) (Zip) n Denivotive Committee Assumed Disposed of an Deneficially O

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(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common									
Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	01/03/2011		A	12,255	A	\$ 0	593,982	D	

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

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

ZIMMERMAN STEWART C/O MFA FINANCIAL, INC. 350 PARK AVENUE, 21ST FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022

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Chairman and CEO

## **Signatures**

Stewart

Zimmerman 01/04/2011

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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