Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ROTHSTEIN STUART

(Middle)

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

Apollo Commercial Real Estate

Finance, Inc. [ARI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

C/O APOLLO GLOBAL

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2016

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO

MANAGEMENT, LLC, 9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Common

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(D)

Code V Amount 4,744

(1)

Price \$0 218,251

(1)

D

08/31/2016 Stock

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Jessica L. Lomm, as
Attorney-in-Fact 09/02/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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