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### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Last)

(City)

**FLOOR** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Azrack Joseph F Issuer Symbol Apollo Commercial Real Estate

Finance, Inc. [ARI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2012

9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD

(Middle)

(Zip)

(First)

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Managing Director-Real Estate

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10019

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)				Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership		
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)		
							Reported	(Instr. 4)			
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			G 1 W		or	ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price					
Common Stock	10/03/2012		F	15,271 (1)	D	\$ 17.42	80,973 (2)	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumbe		Expiration Date		Amount	of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlyi	ing	Security	Secui
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	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	and 4)		Own
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						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Numbe			
								of			
				Code V	(A) (D)			Sł	hares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Azrack Joseph F 9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019

Managing Director-Real Estate

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jessica Lomm, as attorney

in fact 10/09/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person 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) Consists of shares of common stock withheld by the issuer in order to satisfy the minimum tax withholding obligations of the reporting person arising in connection with the delivery of shares of common stock underlying vested restricted share units ("RSUs").
- Reported amount includes 35,000 RSUs granted under the Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. 2009 Equity Incentive Plan.

  Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock for each vested RSU. The RSUs vest in installments in accordance with the terms of the applicable RSU Award Agreement by and between the reporting person and the issuer, provided the reporting person remains in service through the applicable vesting dates.

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