

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

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**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): March 11, 2019

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**iStar Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-15371**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**95-6881527**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**1114 Avenue of the Americas, 39<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**New York, New York**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10036**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 930-9400**

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**N/A**

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**ITEM 5.02**      **Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

**ITEM 8.01**      **Other Events.**

On March 11, 2019, iStar Inc. ("iStar") issued a press release announcing the future retirement of Nina Matis, its vice chairman and chief legal officer.

**ITEM 9.01**      **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1      [Press Release](#)

**SIGNATURE**

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

iStar Inc.

Date: March 15, 2019

By:

/s/ ANDREW C. RICHARDSON

Andrew C. Richardson

*Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)*



## Press Release

# iStar Appoints Douglas Heitner as Chief Legal Officer

*Vice Chairman & Chief Legal Officer Nina Matis to Retire*

NEW YORK, March 11, 2019

iStar Inc. (NYSE: STAR) announced the appointment of Douglas Heitner as Chief Legal Officer and the retirement of Vice Chairman and Chief Legal Officer, Nina Matis. Mr. Heitner joins the iStar executive team effective March 11, 2019 and Ms. Matis will remain on the executive team as Vice Chairman until July to oversee a smooth transition. Mr. Heitner will report to Jay Sugarman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"In addition to being an exceptionally talented executive, Nina has been a wonderful colleague and mentor over her 20+ year career here," said Mr. Sugarman. "Her impressive work ethic and deep commitment to iStar have set a lasting example for everyone in the company."

"I am grateful for the opportunity to have helped develop iStar's unique and innovative businesses over the years and will miss the many talented colleagues and friends I've made along the way," said Ms. Matis. "I know that Doug will be an excellent member of the executive team to help push our ground lease platform forward, and I look forward to watching the Company's growth."

Prior to joining iStar, Doug Heitner was a partner in Kasowitz Benson Torres' Real Estate Transactions group, where he represented the nation's leading real estate companies in a wide range of real estate matters. Before this, Mr. Heitner was an associate in Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP's real estate group. He received his J.D. from New York University School of Law and a B.A. from Dartmouth College.

"Nina is a first ballot hall of famer in our business and it is an honor to have the opportunity to build on her legacy and success," said Mr. Heitner. "I am excited to join a



company with such a tremendous growth opportunity and am eager to help execute across all of iStar's strategic initiatives.”

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iStar (NYSE: STAR) is focused on reinventing the ground lease sector, unlocking value for real estate owners throughout the country by providing modern, more efficient ground leases on all types of properties. As the founder, investment manager and largest shareholder of Safehold Inc. (NYSE:SAFE), the first publicly traded company to focus on modern ground leases, iStar is helping create a logical new approach to the way real estate is owned, and continues to use its historic strengths in finance and net lease to expand this unique platform. Recognized as a consistent innovator in the real estate markets, iStar specializes in identifying and scaling newly discovered opportunities and has completed more than \$40 billion of transactions over the past two decades. Additional information on iStar is available on its website at [www.istar.com](http://www.istar.com).

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