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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ISTAR FINANCIAL INC</u> [ SFI ]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X	below)	below)
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,			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	ridual or Joint/Group Filing	g (Check Applicable
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#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)
Preferred Stock, Series D	03/12/2008		Р		1,500(1)	A	\$14.368	1,500 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Preferred Stock, Series F	03/12/2008		Р		1,000(1)	A	\$13.65	<b>2,800</b> <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Preferred Stock, Series F	03/13/2008		Р		1,800(1)	A	\$13.7	<b>2,800</b> <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Preferred Stock, Series G	03/13/2008		Р		1,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$13.8	1,500 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Preferred Stock, Series I	03/12/2008		Р		2,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$14.05	4,200 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Preferred Stock, Series I	03/13/2008		Р		2,200 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$13.5273	<b>4,200</b> <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	

#### 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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title Amouri Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. On March 12, 2008 and March 13, 2008, the Reporting Person purchased an aggregate of 10,000 shares of various series of Preferred Stock of iStar Financial Inc. in the open market, as follows: 1,500 shares of Series D Preferred Stock at an average price of \$14.3680 per share, 2,800 shares of Series F Preferred Stock at an average price of \$13.6821 per share, 1,500 shares of Series G Preferred Stock at a price of \$13.8000 per share and 4,200 shares of Series I Preferred Stock at an average price of \$13.7762 per share.

2. The Reporting Person is also the beneficial owner of a total of 194,973 shares of iStar common stock, all of which are owned directly.

3. The Reporting Person also owns 101,934 Restricted Stock Units that have not yet vested, representing the right to receive an equivalent number of shares of iStar common stock if and when the Units vest, pursuant to awards dated March 2, 2006, January 19, 2007 and January 18, 2008.

### <u>s/ Catherine D Rice</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

03/14/2008

Date

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

\* 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).

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