#### ISTAR FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

March 12, 2015

# FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **SUGARMAN JAY** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI]

(Check all applicable)

1114 AVENUE OF THE

AMERICAS, 39TH FLOOR

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2014

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

below) Chairman and CEO

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City)	(State) (Z	s Acqu	uired, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired on (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/31/2014		A	V	113,204 (1)	A	\$0	2,699,553 (2)	D	
Common Stock	12/31/2014		F	V	63,190 (1)	D	\$0	2,699,553 (2)	D	
Common Stock								40,544 (2)	I	By spouse
Preferred Stock, Series D								2,000 (3)	D	
Restricted Stock Units								21,714 (3)	D	

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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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	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying	Security	,	
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	2		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	]
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									of			
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
					Code v	(A) $(D)$				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SUGARMAN JAY 1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 39TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036

X

Chairman and CEO

### **Signatures**

s/ Jay Sugarman 03/12/2015

\*\*Signature of 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).
  - Effective December 31, 2014, the Reporting Person, Mr. Jay Sugarman, acquired 113,204 shares of iStar common stock upon the vesting of Restricted Stock Units (Units) at 195.5% of the target amount of the original award, following achievement of performance and service
- (1) conditions pursuant to an award dated February 1, 2013, which award was previously reported on Form 4. After deducting 63,190 shares for applicable tax withholding, following payroll processing, the Reporting Person acquired a net amount of 50,014 shares of iStar common stock.
- (2) Following the transactions reported in this Form 4, the Reporting Person is the direct beneficial owner of 2,699,553 shares of iStar common stock and the indirect beneficial owner of 40,544 shares of iStar common stock owned by his spouse.
- (3) The Reporting Person is also the direct beneficial owner of 2,000 shares of iStar Series D preferred stock and 679,619 Units representing the right to receive an equivalent number of shares of iStar common stock (net of shares deducted for statutory minimum required tax

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withholdings) if and when the Units vest.

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