

ISTAR FINANCIAL INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JOSEPHS ROBIN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1861 NORTH ORCHARD STREET

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60614

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI]

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

08/10/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share	08/10/2007		M		4,000 A \$ 29.82	9,100 <sup>(1)</sup>	I by trust
Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share	08/10/2007		J		0 A \$ 0	14,190 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share	08/10/2007		J		0 A \$ 0	60 <sup>(1)</sup>	I by spouse

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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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase common stock	\$ 29.82	08/10/2007		X	4,000	05/29/2002 05/29/2012	Common stock, par value \$ .001 per share	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOSEPHS ROBIN 1861 NORTH ORCHARD STREET CHICAGO, IL 60614		X		

## Signatures

s/ Robin Josephs                      08/10/2007  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) This Form 4 is being filed to report the acquisition by the reporting person of 4,000 shares of Common Stock through the exercise of stock options on August 10, 2007. Following these transactions, the reporting person is the beneficial owner of a total of 23,350 shares of Common Stock, of which 14,190 shares are owned directly, 60 shares are owned indirectly by the reporting person's spouse and 9,100 shares are owned indirectly through a revocable trust.

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