

ASTA FUNDING INC

Form 4

October 11, 2006

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GMS FAMILY INVESTORS LLC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ASTA FUNDING, INC., 210  
SYLVAN AVENUE

(Street)

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

ASTA FUNDING INC [ASFI]

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

10/06/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	10/06/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		8,000	D	\$ 35.8343	1,146,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	10/09/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		8,000	A	\$ 35.4409	1,138,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	10/11/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>		8,000	A	\$ 35.0877	1,130,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	D

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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 Acquired (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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
GMS FAMILY INVESTORS LLC C/O ASTA FUNDING, INC. 210 SYLVAN AVENUE ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632	X

## Signatures

/s/ Judith Feder,  
Manager 10/11/2006

\_\_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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by GMS Family Investors LLC.

Gary Stern, President and Chief Executive Officer of Asta Funding, Inc. and a cousin of Judith R. Feder, the manager of GMS Family Investors LLC, has a 79.46% beneficial interest in the limited liability company, trusts for the benefit of the children of Gary Stern, of which Ms. Feder is the trustee, have a combined 20.43% beneficial interest (10.215% each), and Arthur Stern, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Asta Funding, Inc., and an uncle of Ms. Feder, has a .11% beneficial interest.

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