Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.

Form 4

December 31, 2014

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BIDERMAN MARK C**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. [ARI]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/29/2014

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, 9 WEST **57TH STREET**

> (Street) 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

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D)

(A)

Common 12/29/2014 Stock

10,000 \$0 35,874 (1)

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BIDERMAN MARK C C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC 9 WEST 57TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10019

X

Signatures

/s/ Jessica L. Lomm, as Attorney-in-Fact

12/31/2014

**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 Issuer granted these shares to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan.

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