## FORM 4

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|  |   | Fi       | led pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934<br>or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |   |     |  |
| Yadav Sunil  | action 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations<br>ay continue. See Instruction 1(b).<br>me and Address of Reporting Person <sup>®</sup><br>[av Suni]<br>) (First) (Mide<br>MFA FINANCIAL, INC.<br>PARK AVENUE, 20TH FLOOR<br>et) |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>MFA FINANCIAL, INC.</u> [ MFA ]  | 5. Relationship of Rep<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director<br>X Officer (give<br>below) | 10% Owner   |     |  |
| (Last) (First)<br>C/O MFA FINANCIAL, INC.<br>350 PARK AVENUE, 20TH FLOOR |   | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>11/22/2013   | Ser   | nior Vice President   |     |  |
| (Street)<br>NEW YORK,  | NY  | 10022    | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   | X Form filed b  | Group Filing (Check Applicable Line<br>by One Reporting Person<br>by More than One Reporting Person |     |  |
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## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)          | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |        | Securities       | Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|---------------|--------|------------------|---|-------------------------|--|
|  |  |   | Code                                    | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | (Instr. 3 and 4) |   | (Instr. 4)              |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 11/22/2013                                 |   | Р                                       |   | 1,800  | Α             | \$7.22 | 111,356          | Ι   | By spouse               |  |

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| D | 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | Derivative |     | Expiration Date     |                    | Securities Underlying |                                  | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|--|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|   |  |   |  |   | Code                              | v | (A)        | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                 | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares | 1 1                                  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)                                 |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Sunil Yadav

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

11/26/2013 Date

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

 $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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