FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MFA FINANCIAL, INC. [ MFA ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
JOSEPHS ROI	<u> </u>			X	Director	10% Owner						
					Officer (give title	Other (specify						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		below)	below)						
C/O MFA FINAN	CIAL, INC.		09/14/2022									
ONE VANDERBI	LT AVENUE, 48TH	FLOOR										
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Ch	eck Applicable Line)						
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)										

### 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(msu. 4)
Common Stock	09/14/2022		P		2,350	A	\$10.67	28,828(1)	D	

# 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)  (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)  6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying (Month/Day/Year)  8. Securities Underlying (Month/Day/Year)  8. Securities Underlying (Month/Day/Year)		ransaction ode (Instr. ) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Transaction Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		derlying	Derivative	derivative Securities I Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

#### Explanation of Responses:

 $1.\ Number of securities beneficially owned has been adjusted to reflect the issuer's 1-for-4\ reverse stock split effected on April 4, 2022.$ 

/s/ Harold E. Schwartz, by power of attorney

09/16/2022

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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