

Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
March 04, 2014

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)**

**of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 26, 2014**

**Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Maryland**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**001-34452**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**27-0467113**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**c/o Apollo Global Management, LLC**

**9 West 57th Street, 43rd Floor**

**New York, New York**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**10019**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 515-3200**

**n/a**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**ITEM 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On February 26, 2014, Douglas D. Abbey and Alice Connell, members of the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. (the Company ), informed the Board that they will not be standing for re-election to the Board at the Company s next annual meeting of stockholders. The decision of each of Mr. Abbey and Ms. Connell to not stand for re-election to the Board was not the result of any dispute or disagreements with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance,  
Inc.**

By: /s/ Stuart A. Rothstein  
Name: Stuart A. Rothstein  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 4, 2014