ISTAR FINANCIAL INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **SUGARMAN JAY**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 27TH FLOOR

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI]

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

07/10/2006

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	n-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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)		
Common stock, \$.001 par value	07/10/2006		Code	V	Amount 33,000 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 38.8183		D	
Common stock, \$.001 par value	07/10/2006		Z	V	32,609 (2)	A	\$ 0	1,902,682 (3)	D	
Common stock, \$.001 par value	07/10/2006		Z	V	32,609 (2)	D	\$ 0	930,354 (3)	I	By family trusts

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Other

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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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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ctionNum	nber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	unt of	Derivative
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				Code	V (A)	(D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer

Director

SUGARMAN JAY

1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 27TH FLOOR X Chairman and CEO

NEW YORK, NY 10036

Signatures

s/ Jay Sugarman 07/10/2006 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- On July 10, 2006, the reporting person sold 33,000 shares of common stock of iStar Financial Inc. pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan **(1)** initially adopted by the reporting person on August 24, 2005.
- Also on July 10, 2006, 32,609 shares of iStar common stock held by a family trust established for the benefit of the reporting person's children (and indirectly beneficially owned by the reporting person) were transferred to the reporting person and held by him directly. This transaction is exempt from reporting under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is being voluntarily reported herein.
- (3) Following the completion of these transactions, the reporting person is the beneficial owner of a total of 2,833,036 shares of common stock of iStar Financial Inc., of which 1,902,682 shares are owned directly and 930,354 shares are owned indirectly through three family trusts. In addition, the reporting person owns 41,073 restricted stock units, representing the right to receive an equivalent number of

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shares of iStar common stock if and when the units have vested.

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