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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Gaul Megan B.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/01/2013

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. [ARI]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner

☒ Officer ____ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

CFO, Treasurer & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting
Person

____ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person

C/O APOLLO GLOBAL
MANAGEMENT, LLC,Â 9
WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD
FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10019

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

16,771 ⁽¹⁾

D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security

4. Conversion
or Exercise

5. Ownership
Form of

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title (Instr. 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gaul Megan B.
C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC
9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10019

â â â CFO, Treasurer & Secretary â

Signatures

/s/ Megan B. Gaul, by Anton Feingold, her
attorney-in-fact

04/05/2013

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Reported amount includes 13,750 restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted under the Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock for each vested RSU. The RSUs vest in installments in accordance with the terms of the applicable RSU Award Agreement by and between the reporting person and the issuer, provided the reporting person remains in service through the applicable vesting dates.

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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