## 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): July 22, 2014

## MFA FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-13991

(Commission File Number)

13-3974868 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

350 Park Avenue, 20th Floor New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

**10022** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 207-6400

#### Not Applicable

(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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o 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.

(b) On July 22, 2014, Michael L. Dahir submitted his resignation as a member of the Board of Directors of MFA Financial, Inc. (the "Company"), effective immediately. Mr. Dahir's resignation is not due to any disagreement between him and the Company.

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#### SIGNATURE

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.

MFA FINANCIAL, INC. (REGISTRANT)

By: /s/ Harold E. Schwartz

Name: Harold E. Schwartz Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Date: July 22, 2014