

ASTA FUNDING INC
Form 8-K
July 21, 2017

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 17, 2017

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware **001-35637** **22-3388607**
(State or other jurisdiction) (Commission) (IRS Employer)

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

210 Sylvan Avenue

Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632

(201) 567-5648

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of

the registrant's principal executive offices)

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:

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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company

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

As of July 17, 2017, Patrick F. Preece is no longer employed as Chief Executive Officer of Simia Capital, LLC, (“Simia”) a wholly owned subsidiary of Asta Funding, Inc.

On an interim basis, Mr. Gary Stern, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Asta Funding, Inc. will undertake the responsibilities of Simia's Chief Executive Officer.

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.

Asta Funding, Inc.

Date: July 21, 2017

By:	/s/ Bruce R. Foster
Name:	Bruce R. Foster
Title:	Chief Financial Officer