### ROTHSTEIN STUART Form 3 September 23, 2009 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. [NYSE: ROTHSTEIN STUART (Month/Day/Year) ARI] 09/23/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

#### (Street)

## NEW YORK, NYÂ 10019

(City)	(State)	(Zip)

1.Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

FLOOR

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

CFO, Treasurer and Secretary

10% Owner

Other

\_ Director

\_X\_\_ Officer

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)

Reporting Person

Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting

Form filed by More than One

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	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

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

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROTHSTEIN STUART C/O APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT, LLC 9 WEST 57TH STREET, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	Â	Â	CFO, Treasurer and Secretary	Â
Signatures				

/s/ Anton Feingold, Attorney-in-Fact

09/23/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

## No securities are beneficially owned

- \* 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).

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## **Remarks:**

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