

NewStar Financial, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
February 14, 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): February 14, 2017

NewStar Financial, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction

001-33211

54-2157878  
(IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number) Identification No.)

500 Boylston Street, Suite 1250,

Boston, MA  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02116  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (617) 848-2500

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 14, 2017, NewStar Financial, Inc. issued a press release announcing results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2016. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 14, 2017, NewStar Financial, Inc. issued a press release announcing its adoption of a new dividend policy and its declaration of a quarterly dividend. The press release is file herewith as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release of NewStar Financial, Inc. dated February 14, 2017.

99.2 Press Release of NewStar Financial, Inc. dated February 14, 2017.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

NEWSTAR FINANCIAL,  
INC.

Date: February 14, 2017 By: /s/ JOHN KIRBY BRAY  
John Kirby Bray  
Chief Financial Officer

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| 99.2 | Press Release of NewStar Financial, Inc. dated February 14, 2017. |