

NewStar Financial, Inc.  
Form SC 13G/A  
February 09, 2018

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 2) \*

NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC.  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share  
(Title of Class of Securities)

65251F105  
(CUSIP Number)

November 30, 2017  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed.

? Rule 13d-1(b)  
X Rule 13d-1(c)  
? Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting Person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page. This Schedule 13G, Amendment No. 2 is intended to amend the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 28, 2008, as further amended on January 23, 2015.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON OR  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

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Swiss Re Ltd  
2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ?

(b) ?  
3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Switzerland  
NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

- 0 -

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

- 0 -

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

- 0 -

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

?  
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.00%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON OR  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd  
2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ?

(b) ?  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Switzerland

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

- 0 -

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

- 0 -

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

- 0 -

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

?

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.00%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON OR  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ?

(b) ?

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Switzerland

NUMBER OF  
SHARES

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BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
- 0 -  
6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
- 0 -  
7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
- 0 -  
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
- 0 -  
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
- 0 -  
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
?  
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.00%  
12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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ITEM 1. (a) Name of Issuer:  
NewStar Financial, Inc.  
(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:  
500 Boylston Street, Suite 1250  
Boston, MA 02116  
ITEM 2. (a) Name of Persons Filing:  
Swiss Re Ltd  
Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd  
Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd

This statement is being filed jointly by the above-listed parties ("Reporting Persons") and relates to Shares (as defined herein) held by Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd. Swiss Re Ltd also owns all of the outstanding capital stock of Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd, which in turn owns all of the

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outstanding capital stock of Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd.

(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or if None, Residence:

Mythenquai 50/60  
8022 Zurich  
Switzerland

(c) Citizenship:

Swiss Re Ltd is a Swiss corporation.

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd is a Swiss corporation.

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd is a Swiss corporation.

(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value of \$0.01 per share (the "Shares").

(e) CUSIP Number:

65251F105

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ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO s240.13D-1(B) OR 240.13D-2(B) OR (C), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o)
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)
- (c)  Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)
- (d)  Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8)
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with s240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with s240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  A Parent holding company or control person in accordance with s240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h)  A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3)
- (j)  A non-U.S. institution in accordance with s240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k)  Group, in accordance with s240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Not applicable.

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ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

As of November 30, 2017, Swiss Re Ltd, Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd and Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd ceased to be a beneficial owner of any Shares.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

Swiss Re Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0

(b) Percent of class:

Swiss Re Ltd - 0.00%

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0.00%

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0.00%

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(c) Number of shares as to which the Reporting Persons have:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

Swiss Re Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

Swiss Re Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

Swiss Re Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

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Swiss Re Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd - 0

Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd - 0

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following X.

On November 30, 2017, Swiss Re Ltd, Swiss Re Principal Investments Company Ltd and Swiss Re Direct Investments Company Ltd ceased to be a beneficial owner of any Shares.

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ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.

Not applicable.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY.

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.

Not applicable.

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATIONS.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquire and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 6, 2018  
SWISS RE LTD

By: /s/ Alexandre Hristov  
Name: Alexandre Hristov  
Title: Chief Accounting Officer

By: /s/ Sten E. D. Rasmussen  
Name: Sten E. D. Rasmussen  
Title: Director

Dated: February 6, 2018  
SWISS RE PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS COMPANY LTD

By: /s/ Kevin Purcell  
Name: Kevin Purcell  
Title: CFO Principal Investments

By: /s/ Flavia Diethelm  
Name: Flavia Diethelm  
Title: Director

Dated: February 6, 2018  
SWISS RE DIRECT INVESTMENTS COMPANY LTD

By: /s/ Kevin Purcell  
Name: Kevin Purcell  
Title: CFO Principal Investments

By: /s/ Flavia Diethelm  
Name: Flavia Diethelm  
Title: Director

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