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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer Alala Joseph B III Symbol Capitala Finance Corp. [CPTA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O CAPITALA FINANCE 08/11/2017 below) CORP.,, 4201 CONGRESS See Remarks STREET, SUITE 360 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CHARLOTTE, NC 28209

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	le I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or B	eneficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A)	Beneficial (D) Ownership rect (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/11/2017		P 9,611 A \$ 9,611 D	
Common Stock			442,294.08 (5)	via Capitala Restricted Shares I, LLC
Common Stock			305,280.17 (5)	via Capitala Private Investments, LLC

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Common Stock	2,705 (5)	I	via Capitala Transaction Corp.			
Common Stock	972 <u>(5)</u>	I	via CapitalSouth Corporation			
Common Stock	100 (5)	I	via Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC			
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.						

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Awards	(3) (4) (5)					(3)(4)(5)	(3)(4)(5)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	140,357.68 (3) (4) (5)
Awards	(1) (2) (4)					(1)(2)(4)	(1)(2)(4)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	442,294.08 (1) (2) (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

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C/O CAPITALA FINANCE CORP.,
4201 CONGRESS STREET, SUITE 360

CHARLOTTE, NC 28209

Signatures

/s/ Richard G. Wheelahan, III, attorney-in-fact

08/15/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- Capitala Restricted Shares I, LLC ("CRS") previously granted Awards with respect to the 442,294.08 shares of Capitala Finance Corp.'s (the "Issuer") common stock held by CRS, which is controlled by Mr. Alala and is an affiliate of Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC, to certain of Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC's employees pursuant to CRS's 2015 Amended and Restated Equity Compensation Plan, dated September 18, 2015 (the "Plan"). The Plan was previously approved by the Issuer's Board of Directors.
- Outstanding Awards under the Plan are scheduled to vest as follows: 30% on September 25, 2017 and 40% on September 25, 2018. Upon settlement, the additional Awards will become payable on a one-for-one basis in shares of the Issuer's common stock.
- (3) Capitala Private Investments, LLC holds Awards with respect to 140,357.68 shares of the Issuer's common stock held by CRS.
 - Pursuant to the SEC staff no-action letters to Babson Capital Management LLC (pub. Avail. Dec. 14, 2006) and Carlyle GMS Finance, Inc. (pub. Avail. Oct. 8, 2015), an employee benefit plan sponsored by an investment adviser (or an affiliated person of an investment adviser) to a registered closed-end investment company or a business development company regulated under the Investment Company
- (4) Act of 1940, as amended, that offers plan participants equity securities of such registered investment company or business development company is considered an "employee benefit plan sponsored by the issuer" for the purposes of Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- Mr. Alala disclaims beneficial ownership of any of the Issuer's shares directly held by Capitala Private Investments, LLC, CRS, Capitala Transaction Corp., CapitalSouth Corporation and Capitala Investment Advisors, LLC, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Alala is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any other purpose.
- This row reflects all of the Awards of CRS currently outstanding under the Plan. As CRS is controlled by Mr. Alala, this row is included to show the one-to-one relationship between the Awards issued under the Plan and CRS's ownership of shares of the common stock of the Issuer.

Remarks:

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and President

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