

KKR REAL ESTATE FINANCE TRUST INC.

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FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Date of Even Statement (MM					er Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					
KKR Fund Holdings L.P. 5/4/2		5/4/201	:017 KKR Real		Estate Finance Trust Inc. [KREF]					
(Last) (First) (Middle)	4. Relat	ionship of I	Reporting Person	on(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P., 9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		ector icer (give title	below)	X 10% Owner Other (specify below)						
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10019 (City) (State) (Zip)		nendment, I Filed (MM/	/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock			20000000		I	See Footnotes (1) (4) (5) (7)				
Common Stock			3758616		I	See Footnotes (2) (5) (7)				
Table II - Derivative	Securities 1	Beneficially	y Owned (e.g.	, puts, calls, w	varrants, options	s, convertible sec	curities)			
	2. Date Exer and Expirati (MM/DD/YYY	on Date	3. Title and A Securities Un Derivative Se (Instr. 4)	nderlying	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
Special Voting Preferred Stock	<u>(6)</u>	(6)	Common Stock	1	<u>(6)</u>	I	See Footnotes (3) (4) (5) (7)			

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Shares of common stock ("Common Stock") of KKR Real Estate Finance Trust Inc. (the "Issuer") are held by KKR REFT Holdings L.P. The general partner of KKR REFT Holdings L.P. is KKR REFT Holdings GP LLC, which is wholly owned by KKR REFT Asset Holdings LLC ("KKR REFT Asset Holdings").
- (2) Shares of Common Stock of the Issuer are held by Tactical Value SPN-KREF Holdings L.P. The general partner of Tactical Value SPN-KREF Holdings L.P. is Tactical Value SPN-SPV GP LLC, the sole member of which is KKR Tactical Value SPN L.P. ("TV SPN"). The general partner of TV SPN is KKR Associates TV SPN L.P., whose general partner is KKR TV SPN GP Limited, the sole shareholder of which is KKR Management Holdings L.P. The general partner of KKR Management Holdings L.P. is KKR Management Holdings Corp., the sole shareholder of which is KKR Group Holdings L.P.
- (3) The one share of Special Voting Preferred Stock is held by KKR REFT Asset Holdings.
- (4) KKR REFT Asset Holdings is owned by KKR Fund Holdings L.P. and KKR Financial Holdings LLC, whose common shares are wholly owned by KKR Fund Holdings L.P. KKR Fund Holdings L.P. is a general partner of KKR Fund Holdings L.P. KKR Group Holdings L.P. is a general partner of KKR Fund Holdings L.P. and the sole shareholder of KKR Fund Holdings GP Limited.
- (5) KKR Group Limited is the general partner of KKR Group Holdings L.P. KKR & Co. L.P. is the sole shareholder of KKR Group Limited. KKR Management LLC is the general partner of KKR & Co. L.P. Henry R. Kravis and George R. Roberts are the designated members of KKR Management LLC.
- (6) The one share of Special Voting Preferred Stock of the Issuer gives KKR REFT Asset Holdings certain additional voting rights as more fully described in the Issuer's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-217126) and is convertible into one share of Common Stock of the Issuer upon the election of the holder.

(7) Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the Reporting Persons are the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein.

Remarks:

Because no more than 10 reporting persons can file any one Form 3 through the Securities and Exchange Commission's EDGAR system, certain affiliates of the Reporting Persons have filed a separate Form 3.

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Powers of Attorney

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KKR Fund Holdings L.P.				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		v		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		X		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Fund Holdings GP Ltd				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P	•	37		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		X		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
ROBERTS GEORGE R				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P	•	37		
2800 SAND HILL ROAD, SUITE 200		X		
MENLO PARK, CA 94025				
KRAVIS HENRY R				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		**7		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		X		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Management LLC				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		v		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		X		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR & Co. L.P.				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		X		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		Λ		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Group Ltd				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P	•	X		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		Λ		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Group Holdings L.P.				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		X		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		A		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Management Holdings Corp				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P	.	X		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		Λ		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				
KKR Management Holdings L.P.				
C/O KOHLBERG KRAVIS ROBERTS & CO. L.P		X		
9 WEST 57TH STREET, SUITE 4200		Λ		
NEW YORK, NY 10019				

Signatures

KKR MANAGEMENT HOLDINGS L.P. By: KKR Management Holdings Corp., its general partner By: /s/ Terence P. Gallaghe	r
Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Chief Financial Officer	

5/4/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

KKR MANAGEMENT HOLDINGS CORP. By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Chief Financial Officer

5/4/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

KKR FUND HOLDINGS L.P. By: KKR Group Holdings L.P., its general partner, By: KKR Group Limited, its general partner By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Director

5/4/2017

KKR FUND HOLDINGS GP LIMITED By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Director **Signature of Reporting Person	
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
KKR GROUP LIMITED By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Director	5/4/2017
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
KKR & CO. L.P. By: KKR Management LLC, its general partner By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Chief Financial Officer	5/4/2017
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
KKR MANAGEMENT LLC By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact for William J. Janetschek, Chief Financial Officer	5/4/2017
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
HENRY R. KRAVIS By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact	5/4/2017
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date
GEORGE R. ROBERTS By: /s/ Terence P. Gallagher Name: Terence P. Gallagher Title: Attorney-in-fact	5/4/2017
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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Exhibit 24

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these presents that Henry R. Kravis does hereby make, constitute and appoint William J. Janetschek, David J. Sorkin, Terence P. Gallagher, and Christopher B. Lee, or any one of them, as a true and lawful attorney-in-fact of the undersigned with full powers of substitution and revocation, for and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned (both in the undersigned's individual capacity and as a manager or member of any limited liability company, as a partner of any partnership, as an officer of any corporate or other entity, or in the undersigned's capacity in a position similar to the foregoing at any entity, in each case, for which the undersigned is otherwise authorized to sign), to execute and deliver such forms, schedules, statements and other documents as may be required to be filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to: (i) Sections 13(d), 13(g), 13(f), 13(h) and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including without limitation, Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, Form 13F, Form 13H, Form 3, Form 4 and Form 5 and (ii) in connection with any applications for EDGAR access codes, including without limitation the Form ID.

/s/ Henry R. Kravis

Name: Henry R. Kravis

Date: May 28, 2014

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these presents that George R. Roberts does hereby make, constitute and appoint William J. Janetschek, David J. Sorkin, Terence P. Gallagher, and Christopher B. Lee, or any one of them, as a true and lawful attorney-in-fact of the undersigned with full powers of substitution and revocation, for and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned (both in the undersigned's individual capacity and as a manager or member of any limited liability company, as a partner of any partnership, as an officer of any corporate or other entity, or in the undersigned's capacity in a position similar to the foregoing at any entity, in each case, for which the undersigned is otherwise authorized to sign), to execute and deliver such forms, schedules, statements and other documents as may be required to be filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to: (i) Sections 13(d), 13(g), 13(f), 13(h) and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including without limitation, Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, Form 13F, Form 13H, Form 3, Form 4 and Form 5 and (ii) in connection with any applications for EDGAR access codes, including without limitation the Form ID.

/s/ George R. Roberts

Name: George R. Roberts

Date: May 28, 2014

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these presents that William J. Janetschek does hereby make, constitute and appoint David J. Sorkin, Terence P. Gallagher, and Christopher B. Lee, or any one of them, as a true and lawful attorney-in-fact of the undersigned with full powers of substitution and revocation, for and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned (both in the undersigned's individual capacity and as a manager or member of any limited liability company, as a partner of any partnership, as an officer of any corporate or other entity, or in the undersigned's capacity in a position similar to the foregoing at any entity, in each case, for which the undersigned is otherwise authorized to sign), to execute and deliver such forms, schedules, statements and other documents as may be required to be filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to: (i) Sections 13(d), 13(g), 13(f), 13(h) and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including without limitation, Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, Form 13F, Form 13H, Form 3, Form 4 and Form 5 and (ii) in connection with any applications for EDGAR access codes, including without limitation the Form ID.

/s/ William J. Janetschek

Name: William J. Janetschek

Date: May 28, 2014