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): June 13, 2023

AFC GAMMA, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-39995

85-1807125

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

525 Okeechobee Blvd., Suite 1650 West Palm Beach, FL, 33401 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

561-510-2390 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing if following provisions (see General Instructions A.2. below): | is intended to simultaneously sa | ntisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of th |
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| ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the E | xchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12 | 2) |
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| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: | | |
| | Trading | |
| Title of each class | Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | AFCG | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 193 | | Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this |
| Emerging growth company 🗵 | | |

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Item 5.02 Departures of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On June 13, 2023, AFC Gamma, Inc. (the "Company") appointed James C. Fagan to serve as a director in a vacant seat on the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board"), effective immediately. Mr. Fagan will serve as a Class III director for a term expiring at the 2026 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, at which time he will stand for re-election.

Mr. Fagan has forty years of commercial real estate experience having worked and held senior positions with both CBRE Group, Inc. and Cushman & Wakefield, Inc. His responsibilities have included supervising different offices for both CBRE & C&W in the New York metropolitan region, including Connecticut, Long Island, New Jersey and Manhattan. Mr. Fagan has acted as a broker on hundreds of millions dollars' worth of transactions in both leasing and capital markets arenas. Mr. Fagan also has been a leader in implementing acquisitions and strategic initiatives undertaken by both CBRE and C&W. He is a graduate of the University of Connecticut.

The Board has determined that Mr. Fagan qualifies as independent under the independence standards set forth in the Nasdaq listing standards. There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Fagan and any other persons with respect to his appointment as a director. Mr. Fagan is also not a party to any transaction that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Mr. Fagan will participate in the standard non-employee director compensation arrangements described under the heading "Director Compensation" in the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for the Company's 2023 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 4, 2023. In consideration for services as a director, the Company plans to issue Mr. Fagan an initial equity grant of restricted stock, which will vest upon the one-year anniversary of the grant date. The Company also plans to enter into an indemnification agreement with Mr. Fagan, the form of which was previously filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 filed with the Securities and Exchange on January 22, 2021.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| <u>99.1</u> | Press Release issued by AFC Gamma, Inc. on June 14, 2023. |
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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 hereunto duly authorized.

AFC GAMMA, INC.

By: /s/ Brandon Hetzel

Brandon Hetzel

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: June 14, 2023



AFC GAMMA APPOINTS JIM FAGAN AS NEW INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WEST PALM BEACH, FL – June 14, 2023 – AFC Gamma, Inc. (NASDAQ: AFCG) ("AFC Gamma" or the "Company") today announced that the Board of Directors has appointed James C. Fagan as an independent director of the company, effective June 13, 2023.

Leonard Tannenbaum, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AFC Gamma, stated, "We are thrilled that Jim has joined the AFC Gamma Board of Directors. Jim is a highly accomplished, expert voice in the commercial real estate industry, and his deep sector experience will be invaluable to our stakeholders. With over 40 years of experience at top names in the commercial space, we welcome Jim's insight and perspectives and look forward to his contributions to AFC Gamma."

"It is a privilege to join the AFC Gamma Board of Directors," said Mr. Fagan. "The unique portfolio and sophisticated investment philosophy of AFC Gamma presents a new and exciting opportunity, and I look forward to working along the esteemed members of the Board to further the company's success."

Mr. Fagan is currently an Executive Managing Director in the Stamford, CT office of Cushman & Wakefield, having joined the firm in 2003. He has been responsible for the oversight of several hundred millions of dollars in transactions annually and provides strategic counsel to a wide range of corporate clients in the Connecticut/New York Area market. Prior to joining Cushman & Wakefield, Mr. Fagan worked at and held several leadership positions at CBRE. Over the tenure of his career he has received numerous awards and accolades for the performance and growth of the offices he has overseen, and has worked to develop nationally recognized hiring and leadership programs for newer professionals designed to attract, educate, and retain talent. He is a graduate of the University of Connecticut.

About AFC Gamma, Inc.

AFC Gamma, Inc. (NASDAQ:AFCG) is a publicly traded, institutional lender that originates, structures and underwrites loans secured by commercial real estate and other types of financing solutions. AFC Gamma targets direct lending and bridge loan opportunities typically ranging from \$5 million to \$100 million across multiple real estate sectors, with a specialization in lending to state-law compliant cannabis operators. It is based in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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