

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC
 Form 4
 May 02, 2003
 SEC Form 4

<p>FORM 4</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).</p>	<p>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549</p> <p>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP</p> <p>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940</p>	<p>OMB APPROVAL</p> <hr/> <p>OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response. 0.5</p>	
<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Schwatken, Rodney</p> <p>_____ (Last) (First) _____ (Middle) 8140 Ward Parkway Suite 300</p> <p>_____ (Street) Kansas City, MO 64114</p> <p>_____ (City) (State) _____ (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>NovaStar Financial, Inc. NFI</p> <p>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)</p>	<p>4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>01/07/03</p> <p>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)</p> <p>Description</p> <p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock	01/07/03	01/07/03	P/X		1,250	A	\$3.75	14,775	D	
Common Stock	01/07/03	01/07/03	P/X		1,125	A	\$6.38	15,900	D	
Common Stock	01/07/03	01/07/03	P/X		1,412	A	\$14.32	17,312	D	

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

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion or	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable(DE)	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of	9. Number of Derivative
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Security (Instr. 3)	Exercise Price of Deri- vative Security	Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	Code (Instr.8)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr.5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr.4)
				Code	V	A	D	DE	ED	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Stock Options	\$3.75	01/07/03	01/07/03	X			1,250	12/20/02	12/20/10	Common Stock	1,250	\$3.75	13,625
Stock Options	\$6.38	01/07/03	01/07/03	X			1,125	12/30/02	12/30/08	Common Stock	1,125	\$6.38	12,500
Stock Options	\$14.32	01/07/03	01/07/03	X			1,250	12/19/02	12/19/11	Common Stock	1,412	\$14.32	11,250

Explanation of Responses:

By:
/s/ Rodney E. Schwatken

Date:
01/09/03

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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 4(b)(v).
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