

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL CORP

Form 8-K

March 21, 2014

**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) March 18, 2014

Stewardship Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

1-33377

(Commission (IRS Employer  
File Number) Identification No.)

22-3351447

630 Godwin Avenue, Midland Park, NJ

(Address of principal executive offices)

07432

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (201) 444-7100

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Arie Leegwater, a director of the Corporation since 1997 and of the Bank since 1985 and a member of the Loan Committee, whose term expires this year, will retire from the Board of Directors effective May 19, 2014. The Board of Directors intends to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Leegwater's retirement by nominating an individual for shareholder approval at the upcoming annual meeting.

**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.

**Stewardship Financial Corporation**

Date: March 21, 2014      /s/ Claire M. Chadwick  
Claire M. Chadwick  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer