

ASTA FUNDING INC

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**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): November 7, 2017

ASTA FUNDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35637
(Commission
File Number)

22-3388607
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**210 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632
(201) 567-5648**

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of
the registrant's principal executive offices)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company

Item 8.01 Other Events .

On November 7, 2017, in connection with the previously-disclosed lawsuit in Montana state court alleging fraud and abuse of process arising from Asta Funding, Inc.'s (the "Company") business relationship with an entity that finances divorce litigation proceedings, the Montana Eighteenth Judicial District Court in Gallatin County granted the plaintiff's default judgment against the Company, Gary Stern and Louis Piccolo. The Company is currently assessing its obligations pursuant to the lawsuit and its next legal steps, including the filing of a motion to set aside or, in the alternative, to vacate, the default judgment. The plaintiff is seeking unspecified damages, which the Company contests.

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.

Date: November 14, 2017

Asta Funding, Inc.

By: /s/ Bruce R. Foster
Name: Bruce R. Foster
Title: Chief Financial Officer