

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

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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):  
May 16, 2013

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

1-33796  
(Commission  
File Number)

26-0630461  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

1211 Avenue of the Americas  
Suite 2902  
New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10036  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (646) 454-3759

No Change  
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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.

On May 16, 2013, the Board of Directors of Chimera Investment Corporation (the “Company”) appointed Robert Colligan as Chief Financial Officer of the Company, effective immediately. Mr. Colligan will oversee Chimera’s treasury, accounting and financial reporting functions. Mr. Colligan, 41, has been working in accounting and finance for over 20 years.

Mr. Colligan joins the Company from Starwood Capital Group where he was the Controller for the last five years. At Starwood Capital Group, Mr. Colligan focused on financial reporting, treasury, tax, operational and strategic initiatives. Prior to Starwood Capital Group, from 2002 to 2008 Mr. Colligan was a Managing Director at Bear Stearns and from 1999 to 2002 a Vice President at Merrill Lynch in financial reporting, strategy and investor relations roles. Mr. Colligan began his career at PricewaterhouseCoopers where from 1993 to 1999 he had roles in both audit and national tax. He has a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Villanova University, a Masters in Taxation from George Washington University and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Effective May 16, 2013, Fixed Income Discount Advisory Company, the external manager of the Company, has hired Mr. Colligan as a Managing Director. There are no other arrangements or understandings between Mr. Colligan and any other person pursuant to which he was appointed. There are also no family relationships between Mr. Colligan and any director or executive officer of the Company and Mr. Colligan has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K (*e.g.*, related party transactions).

Effective May 16, 2013 A. Alexandra Denahan resigned from her position as the Company’s Chief Financial Officer. Ms. Denahan will continue to serve as the Company’s principal financial officer and principal accounting officer.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated May 16, 2013, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation.

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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.

Chimera Investment Corporation

By: /s/ Matthew Lambiase

Name: Matthew Lambiase

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: May 16, 2013

## Robert Colligan Named Chief Financial Officer of Chimera Investment Corporation

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 16, 2013--Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE: CIM) ("Chimera") today announced that Robert Colligan has been appointed its Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Colligan will oversee Chimera's treasury, accounting and financial reporting functions. Mr. Colligan, 41, has been working in accounting and finance for over 20 years.

Mr. Colligan joins Fixed Income Discount Advisory Company ("FIDAC"), the external manager of Chimera, as a Managing Director from Starwood Capital Group where he was the Controller for the last five years. At Starwood Capital Group, Mr. Colligan focused on financial reporting, treasury, tax, operational and strategic initiatives. Prior to Starwood Capital Group, from 2002 to 2008 Mr. Colligan was a Managing Director at Bear Stearns and from 1999 to 2002 a Vice President at Merrill Lynch in financial reporting, strategy and investor relations roles. Mr. Colligan began his career at PricewaterhouseCoopers where from 1993 to 1999 he had roles in both audit and national tax. He has a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Villanova University, a Masters in Taxation from George Washington University and is a Certified Public Accountant.

A. Alexandra Denahan resigned from her position as Chimera's Chief Financial Officer, but will continue to serve as Chimera's principal financial officer and principal accounting officer.

### About Chimera Investment Corporation

Chimera Investment Corporation invests in residential mortgage loans, residential mortgage-backed securities, real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. Chimera's principal business objective is to generate income from the spread between yields on its investments and its cost of borrowing and hedging activities. Chimera is a Maryland corporation that has elected to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT").

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on the current beliefs and expectations of Chimera's management and are subject to significant risks, uncertainties and other factors, including the impact of the transition to a new independent registered public accounting firm and Chimera's ability to timely complete the process necessary to file its quarterly and annual reports for the quarters and year subsequent to December 31, 2011. Chimera does not undertake, and specifically disclaims all obligation, to publicly release the result of any revisions which may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events or circumstances after the date of such statements, see "Item 1A — Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

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