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Company Overview



Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. is a commercial mortgage real estate investment trust focused on investing in performing senior and subordinate mortgage loans and commercial mortgage-backed securities

Ticker (NYSE)	ARI
Equity Capitalization⁽¹⁾	\$683 million
Dividend per Common Share⁽²⁾	\$1.60
Dividend Yield⁽³⁾	9.9%
Portfolio as of 9/30/2013	\$843 million
Levered Weighted Average Portfolio IRR as of 9/30/2013⁽⁴⁾	13.9%

(1) Includes common equity market capitalization as of November 8, 2013 and preferred equity outstanding at September 30, 2013.

(2) Current dividend per common share of \$0.40 annualized.

(3) Based upon the annualized current dividend per common share and ARI's closing common share price of \$16.19 on November 8, 2013.

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Investment Highlights

Macro Environment Continues to Create Opportunities

- \$1.6 trillion of commercial mortgage debt will mature over the next five years in the U.S.⁽¹⁾
- Increased CRE transaction volume has led to increased need for financing
- US CMBS issuance YTD 2013 is \$69.9 billion compared to \$38.6 billion YTD 2012⁽²⁾

Experienced Management Team and Relationship with Apollo

- Apollo's CRE debt platform has invested \$4.5 billion of equity into \$7.7 billion of CRE debt investments since 2009
- Long standing and deep relationships with global investment banks, insurances companies and CRE owners
- Capacity to structure and underwrite complex transactions across a broad spectrum of property types

Stable Investment Portfolio

- Amortized cost basis of \$843 million with a levered weighted average IRR of approximately 13.9%⁽³⁾
- Weighted average duration of 3.0 Years
- Investments diversified by geographic region and underlying property type

Well Positioned in Rising Interest Rate Environment

- 42% of loans in the portfolio have floating interest rates; Fixed rate loans had WAC of 11.5% at September 30, 2013
- ARI continues to be low-levered; As of September 30, 2013, the debt-to-common equity ratio was 0.5:1
- As loans mature or pay-off, ARI can re-deploy capital in a higher rate environment

Attractive Price and Dividend Yield

- As of November 8, 2013
 - 9.9% dividend yield
 - 1.00 price/book, based upon September 30, 2013 book value per common share of \$16.18

(1) Source: Trepp, LLC

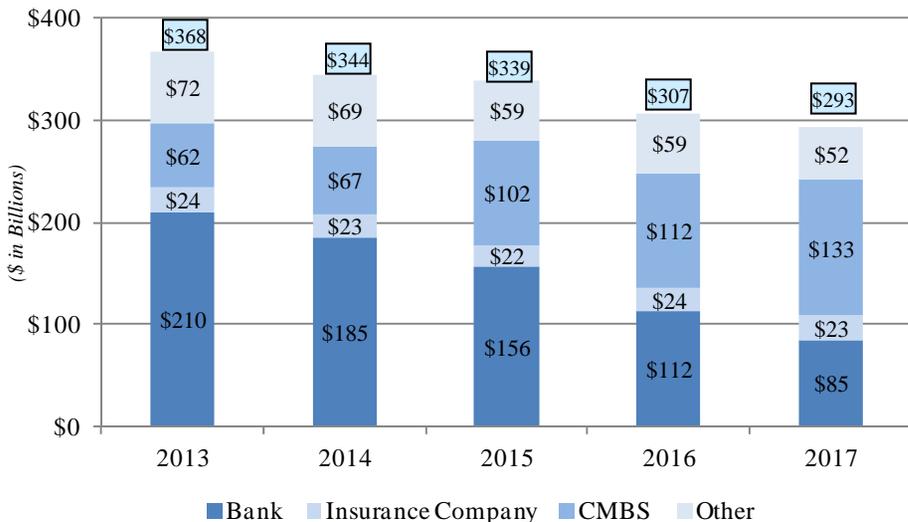
(2) Source: Commercial Mortgage Alert, November 8, 2013

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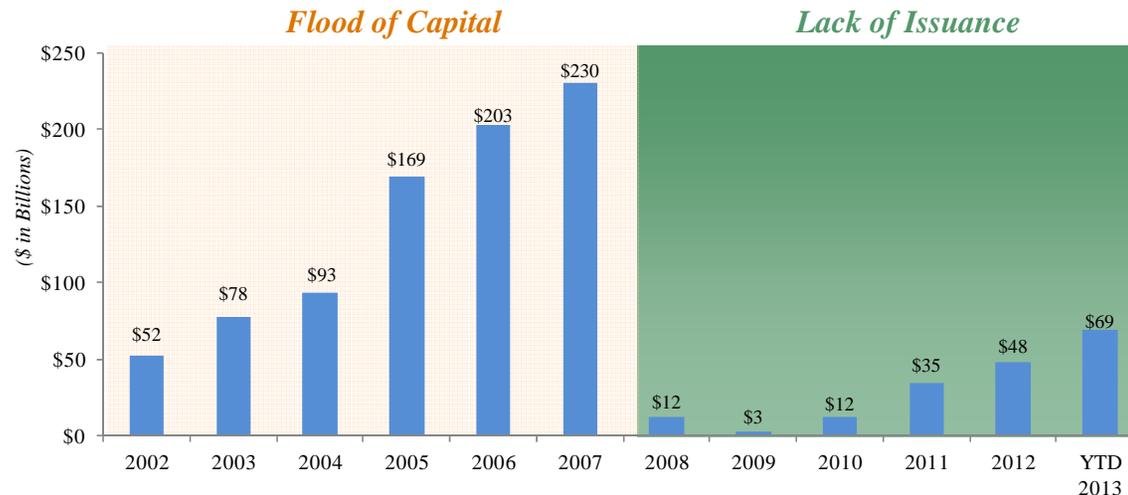
CRE Debt Market Overview

- \$1.6 trillion of commercial mortgage debt is maturing in the next five years in the US⁽¹⁾
- US CMBS issuance is gaining momentum but is significantly lower than the 2005-2007 peak levels⁽²⁾
- Pricing in the CMBS market has stabilized

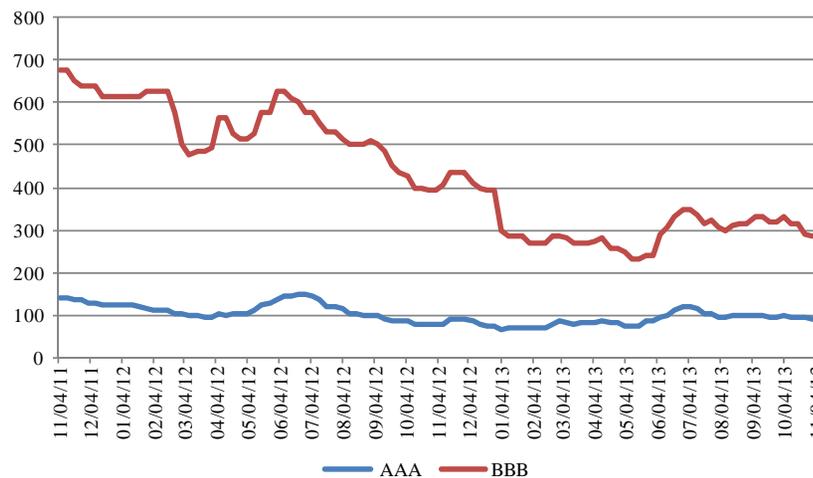
U.S. CRE Loan and CMBS Maturities⁽¹⁾



U.S. CMBS Issuance⁽²⁾



New-Issue 10-Year AAA and BBB Spreads Over Swaps⁽³⁾

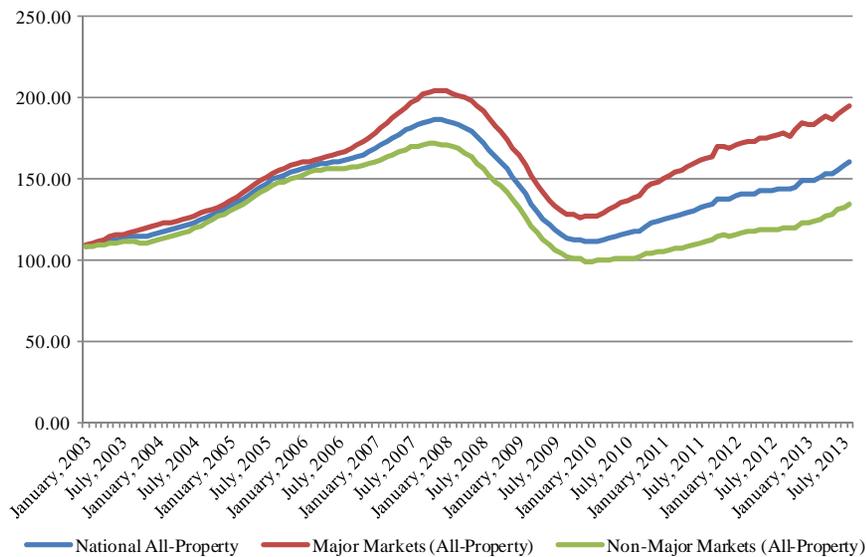


(1) Source: Trepp, LLC
 (2) Source: Commercial Mortgage Alert, November 2013
 (3) Source: JP Morgan

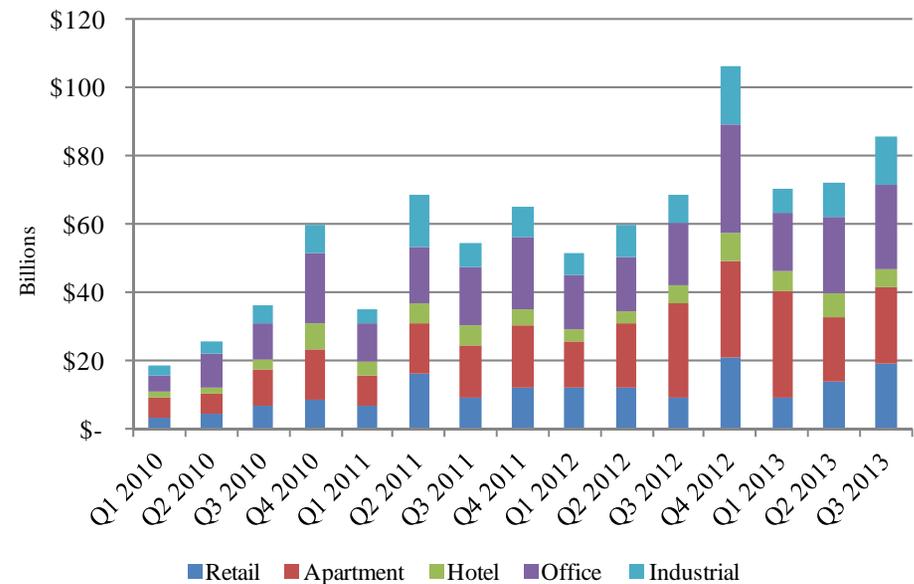
CRE Property Market Overview

- Commercial property transaction volume is accelerating, leading to an increased need for financing
- U.S. commercial property values have increased 42% from the March 2010 trough, and 50% in major markets⁽¹⁾

Moody's/RCA Commercial Property Price Index ⁽¹⁾



U.S. CRE Property Sales Volume⁽²⁾



Price recovery has led to an increase in CRE transactions, which leads to an increased need for CRE debt financing

(1) Source: Moody's and Real Capital Analytics

(2) Source: Real Capital Analytics

ARI Strategic Focus

ARI's Competitive Advantages

- Ability to underwrite transactions with complexity in execution, operations or structure
- Proven track record to negotiate and execute transactions quickly
- "Solutions provider" for sponsors and sectors in need of capital
- "First Call" for Wall Street firms, brokers and borrowers for subordinate debt
- Leverage off of Apollo's relationships and reputation – Apollo's CRE Debt Platform has invested \$4.5 billion of equity into \$7.7 billion of CRE debt investments since 2009

Recent Strategic Focus

NYC Construction/Conversion Transactions

- In the past 12-months, ARI has committed to ~ \$275 million in six separate NYC transactions and ~ \$414 million since inception
- Compelling risk adjusted returns achieved by targeting transactions with an attractive basis, strong sponsorship and creative structuring
- Structured as first mortgages, mezzanine loans or preferred equity
- NYC continues to be one of the strongest residential markets, with a 2% multifamily vacancy rate⁽¹⁾

Non-Core Opportunistic Investments

- Minority Participation in KBC Bank Deutschland
 - Commitment to invest up to \$50 million, representing 21% of the ownership of scalable German banking platform
 - Expected to close within nine months, pending antitrust and regulatory approval
- Legacy CMBS formerly rated AAA
 - During the market pullback this summer, ARI identified a strategy to invest in legacy CMBS formerly rated AAA and entered into a new facility with UBS to fund up to \$130 million
 - Underwritten IRR⁽²⁾ ~ 15%

(1) Source: Green Street Advisors

(2) See IRR definition on page 3.

Portfolio Overview

Asset Type (\$000s)	Amortized Cost	Borrowings	Equity at Cost ⁽¹⁾	Remaining Weighted Average Life (years) ⁽²⁾	Current Weighted Average IRR ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Levered Weighted Average IRR ⁽⁵⁾
First Mortgage Loans ⁽³⁾	\$160,893	\$3	\$160,890	2.2	10.7%	14.5%
Subordinate Loans	394,554	-	394,554	4.3	13.4	13.4
CMBS	218,019	180,626	36,760	2.2	15.4	15.4
Hilton CMBS	69,587	46,538	23,049	0.1	16.6	16.6
Investments at September 30, 2013	\$843,053	\$227,167	\$615,253	3.0 Years	12.9%	13.9%

As of September 30, 2013.

(1) Includes \$15.8 million of restricted cash related to the UBS Facility and \$16.4 million of future borrowings related to unsettled trades at September 30, 2013.

(2) Remaining Weighted Average Life assumes all extension options are exercised.

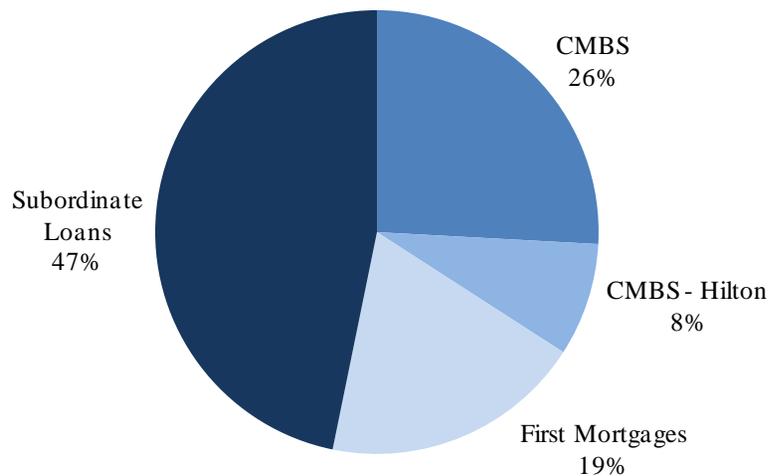
(3) Borrowings under the JPMorgan Facility bear interest at LIBOR plus 250 basis points, or 2.7% at September 30, 2013. The IRR calculation further assumes the JPMorgan Facility or any replacement facility will remain available over the life of these investments.

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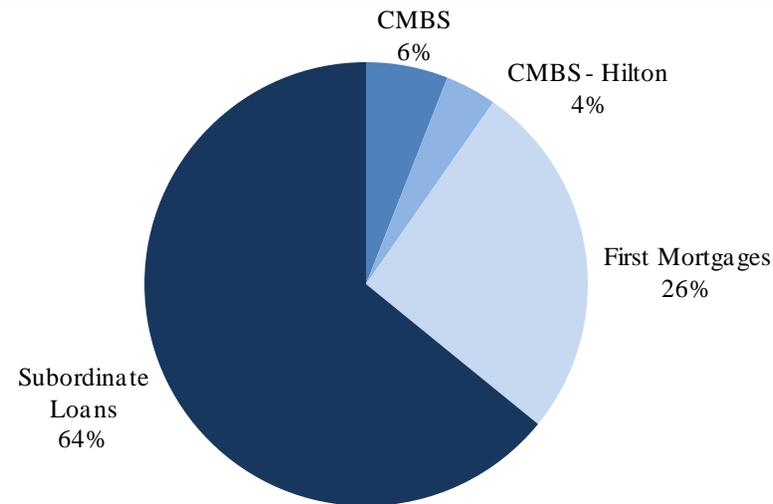
(5) Substantially all of the Company's borrowings under the JPMorgan Facility were repaid. The Company's ability to achieve its underwritten levered weighted average IRR with regard to its portfolio of first mortgage loans is additionally dependent upon the Company re-borrowing approximately \$53,000 under the JPMorgan Facility or any replacement facility. Without such re-borrowing, the levered weighted average IRRs will be as indicated in the current weighted average IRR column above.

Portfolio Diversification

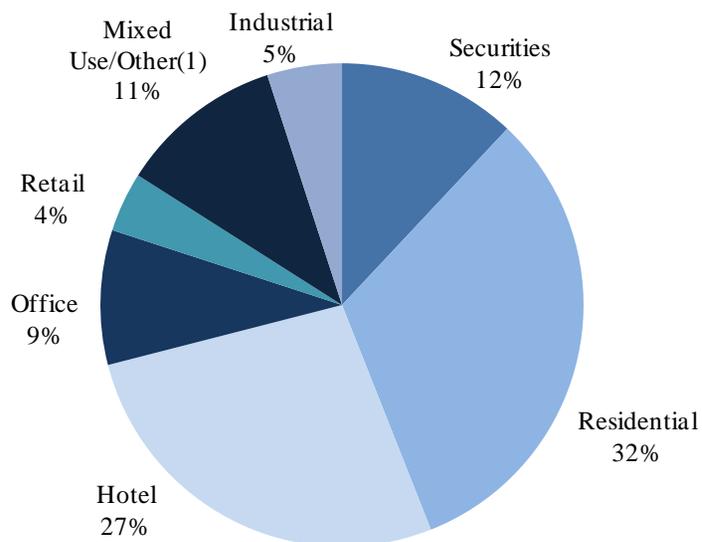
Gross Assets at Amortized Cost Basis



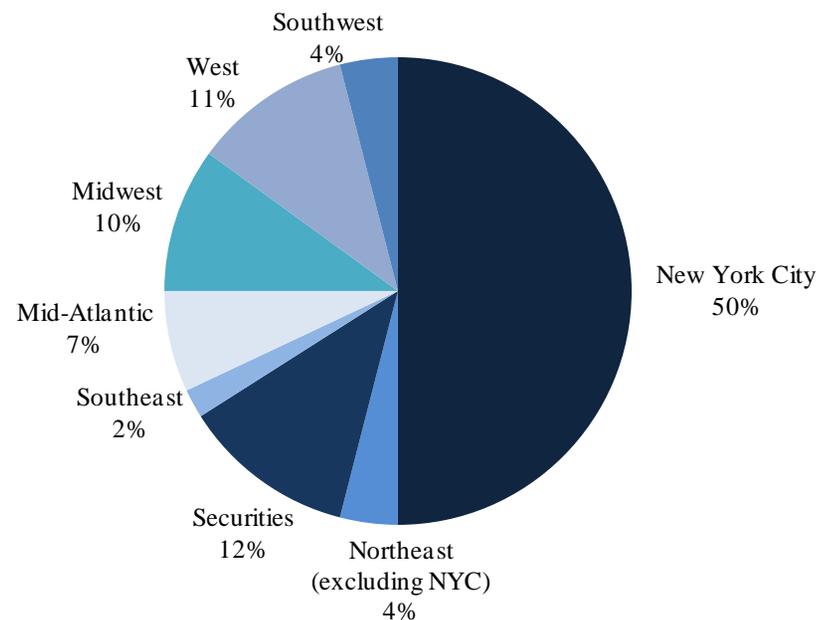
Net Invested Equity at Amortized Cost Basis



Property Type by Net Equity



Geographic Diversification by Net Equity



As of September 30, 2013

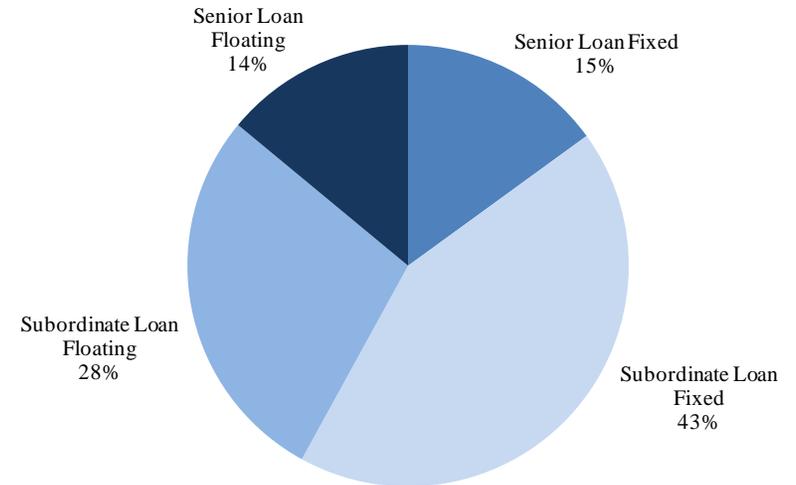
(1) Other category includes the subordinate financing on a ski resort

Loan Portfolio Overview

Fully Extended Loan Maturity Schedule (\$000s)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾



Loan Position and Rate Type⁽¹⁾



58% Fixed Rate with an 11.5% WAC
42% Floating Rate

As of September 30, 2013

(1) Based upon Face Amount of Loans; Does not include CMBS.

(2) For the NYC condominium conversion loan that closed in December 2012 and the NYC condominium conversion loan that closed in September 2013, the maturities reflect the fully funded amounts of the loans.

Recent Transactions

➤ NYC Condominium Mezzanine Loan

- \$60 million mezzanine loan secured by the pledge of preferred equity interests in a 352,624 net salable square foot, 146-unit condominium tower being constructed in downtown New York City.
- The Company's loan basis represents an underwritten loan-to-net sellout of approximately 48%
- Underwritten IRR⁽¹⁾ ~ 16%



➤ Warehouse Portfolio Mezzanine Loan

- \$32 million mezzanine loan commitment secured by pledge of the equity interests in the owner of a portfolio of 15 warehouse facilities totaling 2.8 million square feet spanning nine states
- Part of a \$322 million, ten-year, fixed rate financing comprised of the \$32 million junior mezzanine loan, a \$70 million senior mezzanine loan and a \$220 million first mortgage loan
- Underwritten LTV – 75%
- Underwritten IRR⁽¹⁾ ~ 12%



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Portfolio Performance

- Since inception, ARI has had 7 loans fully repay, representing ~\$173 million of equity
 - The repaid loans resulted in a weighted average realized IRR of 16.3% and a multiple on invested capital ("MOIC") of 1.30x
- The \$126 million of equity invested in CMBS prior to 2013 continues to outperform projections
 - Bonds purchased at a premium continue to extend beyond the initial underwriting
- **No Realized or Projected Losses Across the Portfolio**

Loan Returns – All Fully Realized Investments Since Inception

Investment	Investment Date	Initial Equity Investment	Realized IRR	MOIC
Mezzanine - Retail	December 2009	\$50,000,000	15.3%	1.45x
First Mortgage - Hotel ⁽¹⁾	August 2010	\$8,556,000	17.5%	1.29x
Bridge Loan - Multifamily	March 2011	\$8,800,000	7.9%	1.01x
Repurchase Agreement	March 2011	\$47,439,169	16.6%	1.23x
Mezzanine - Hotel Portfolio	August 2011	\$25,000,000	12.3%	1.25x
Mezzanine - Hotel	March 2012	\$15,000,000	19.2%	1.22x
First Mortgage - Parking/Development Site	April 2012	\$17,883,212	25.1%	1.31x
Total/Weighted Average		\$172,678,381	16.3%	1.30x

(1) IRR and MOIC represent the levered return, assuming the mortgage was financed with 64% leverage on the JP Morgan Facility during the full term of the loan.

Capitalization

- Over the past 18 months, ARI completed three equity capital raises totaling \$355.7 million
 - In August 2012, ARI completed an underwritten public offering of 3.45 million shares of 8.625% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, raising net proceeds of \$83.2 million
 - In October 2012, ARI completed an underwritten public offering of 7.4 million shares of common stock at a price of \$16.81 per share, raising net proceeds of \$124.1 million
 - In March 2013, ARI completed an underwritten public offering of 8.8 million shares of common stock at a price of \$16.90 per share, raising net proceeds of approximately \$148.4 million

Capitalization

<i>(\$ in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2013 (unaudited)
Wells Fargo Facility	156,969
UBS Facility	70,195
JP Morgan Facility	3
Total Debt	\$227,167
Preferred Equity	86,250
Common Equity	596,637
Total Equity Capitalization	\$682,887

Investment Highlights

- First call relationships for subordinate loan transactions
- Experienced management team
- Strong sponsorship through Apollo Global Management, LLC
- Well positioned in a rising interest rate environment
- Opportune time for CRE debt investing
- Attractive 9.9% dividend yield