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ASTA FUNDING INC
Form 4
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Stern	Arthur	
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
c/o Asta Funding, Inc., 210 Sylvan Avenue		

(Street)		
Englewood Cliffs	NJ	07632
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Asta Funding, Inc. (NasdaqNM: ASFI)

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

December 26, 2002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)

Chairman and Executive Vice President

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,

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or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (mm/dd/yy)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/26/02		G V	5,000	D	
Common Stock						

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity	3. Trans- action Date (mm/dd/ yy)	3A. Deemed Execut- ion Date, if any (mm/dd/ yy)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Date Expira- tion Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares

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Explanation of Responses:

- * Represents the reporting person's pecuniary interest, if any, in shares of Common Stock held by Asta Group, Incorporated.

Arthur Stern

/s/Arthur Stern

December 26, 2002

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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)

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.
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