

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Dalton Patrick J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>777 WEST PUTNAM AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>GREENWICH</u> <u>CT</u> <u>06830</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/02/2017</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Fifth Street Finance Corp.</u> [<u>FSC</u>] 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Executive Officer</u></div>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</div> <div>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</div>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Kerry S. Acocella, as attorney-in-fact for
Patrick J. Dalton

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/12/2017

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 5 (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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Patrick J. Dalton, Chief Executive Officer and a director of Fifth Street Finance Corp. (the "Corporation"), hereby authorize and designate each of Bernard D. Ber

(1) prepare and sign on my behalf any Form3, Form4 or Form5 under Section16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and file the same with the Securities

(2) prepare and sign on my behalf any Form144 Notice under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and file the same with the Securities and Exchange Commission; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best i

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or

This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, 5 and 144 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of

DATED:
1/3/2017

SIGNED:
/s/ Patrick J. Dalton