## 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): March 1, 2017 (February 16, 2017)

# Fifth Street Finance Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-33901** (Commission File Number) 26-1219283 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

777 West Putnam Avenue, 3rd Floor, Greenwich, CT

(Address of principal executive offices)

**06830** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 681-3600

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

Fifth Street Finance Corp. (the "Company") previously disclosed that it had been named as a defendant in consolidated securities class actions filed on behalf of stockholders of the Company and pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York under the caption *In re Fifth Street Finance Corp. Securities Litigation*, No. 15-cv-7759 (LAK), for which the court entered a proposed settlement order on November 9, 2016. A fairness hearing was held on February 16, 2017 and the proposed settlement was approved.

As a result of the aforementioned approval, the Company is not currently a party in any litigation proceedings.

#### SIGNATURE

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.

FIFTH STREET FINANCE CORP.

Date: March 1, 2017

By: /s/ Kerry S. Acocella Name: Kerry S. Acocella Title: Chief Compliance Officer