# 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): October 12, 2023

# LM FUNDING AMERICA, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1200 West Platt Street Suite 100 Tampa, Florida

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

001-37605 (Commission File Number) 47-3844457 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 33606 (Zip Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 813 222-8996

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)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

	Trading	
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock par value \$0.001 per share	LMFA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

As previously reported, on April 14, 2023, LM Funding America, Inc. (the "Company") received a letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that the Company's consolidated closing bid price has been below \$1.00 per share for 30 consecutive business days as of April 13, 2023, and that, therefore, the Company was not in compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2), which is the minimum bid price requirement for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market. In accordance with Nasdaq's listing rules, the Company was afforded 180 days, or until October 11, 2023, to regain compliance.

The Company was unable to regain compliance with the bid price requirement by October 11, 2023. However, on October 12, 2023, the Company received a notice from Nasdaq granting the Company an additional 180 calendar days, or until April 8, 2024, to regain compliance with the minimum \$1.00 bid price per share requirement for continued listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market. Nasdaq determined that the Company is eligible for the second compliance period due to the Company meeting the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares and all other applicable requirements for initial listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market, with the exception of the bid price requirement, and the Company's written notice of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary.

To regain compliance during the additional time period, the closing bid price of the Company's security must be at least \$1.00 per share for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive business days. If the Company does not regain compliance within the allotted additional 180-day compliance period, the Company's common stock would be subject to delisting unless it requested a hearing before an independent Nasdaq Hearings Panel. A request for a hearing would stay any suspension or delisting action pending the hearing and any additional extension period granted by the Panel.

The Company intends to monitor the closing bid price of the Company's common stock and consider its available options to resolve the non-compliance with the minimum bid price requirement. The Company's receipt of the notice does not affect the Company's business, operations or reporting requirements with the Securities and Exchange Commission. However, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to regain compliance with the minimum bid price requirement or will otherwise be in compliance with other Nasdaq listing criteria.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibits	
	Exhibit No.	Description
	99.1	Letter from Listing Qualifications Department of the The Nasdaq Stock Market, dated October 12, 2023
	104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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This Current Report on Form 8-K may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements involve risks and uncertainty. Words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," and "project" and other similar words and expressions are intended to signify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and conditions but rather are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Such statements are based on the Company's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that there can be no assurance actual results or business conditions will not differ materially from those projected or suggested in such forward-looking statements as a result of various risks and uncertainties. Investors should refer to the risks detailed from time to time in the reports the Company files with the SEC, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, as well as other filings on Form 10-Q and periodic filings on Form & S-K, for additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated or implied by such forward-looking statements, or otherwise, unless required by law.

## 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.

LM Funding America, Inc.

Date: October 13, 2023

By: /s/ Richard Russell Richard Russell



# Sent via Electronic Delivery to: RRussell@lmfunding.com; bpoignant@donohoeadvisory.com; bpoignant@donohoeadvisory.com

October 12, 2023

Mr. Richard Russell Chief Financial Officer LM Funding America, Inc. 1200 West Platt Street Suite 100 Tampa, Florida 33606

M Funding America, Inc. (the "Company") Nasdaq Security: Common Stock Nasdaq Symbol: LMFA

## Dear Mr. Russell:

As you are aware, on April 14, 2023, we notified you that, based on the previous 30 consecutive business days, the Company's listed security no longer met the minimum \$1 bid price per share requirement. Therefore, in accordance with our Listing Rules (the "Rules"), the Company was provided 180 calendar days, or until October 11, 2023, to regain compliance.

The listed security has not regained compliance with the minimum \$1 bid price per share requirement. However, Staff has determined that the Company is eligible for an additional 180 calendar day period,<sup>1</sup> or until April 8, 2024, to regain compliance.<sup>2</sup> Our determination is based on the Company meeting the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares and all other applicable requirements for initial listing on the Capital Market with the exception of the bid price requirement, and the Company's written notice of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary. If at any time during this additional time period the closing bid price of the Company's security is at least \$1 per share for a *minimum* of 10 consecutive business days, we will provide written confirmation of compliance and this matter will be closed.<sup>3</sup> Please note that

<sup>1</sup> Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A).

 $^2$  This second 180 day period relates exclusively to the bid price deficiency. The Company may be delisted during the 180 days for failure to maintain compliance with any other listing requirements for which it is currently on notice or which occurs during this period.

<sup>3</sup> Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(F) states that, "Staff may, in its discretion, require a Company to maintain a bid price of at least \$1.00 per share for a period in excess of ten consecutive business days, but generally no more than 20 consecutive business days, before determining that the Company has demonstrated an ability to maintain long-term compliance. In determining whether to require a Company to meet the minimum \$1.00 bid price standard beyond ten business days, Staff will consider the following four factors: (i) margin of compliance (the amount by which the bid price is above the \$1.00 minimum standard); (ii) trading volume (a lack of trading volume may indicate a lack of bona fide market interest in the security at the posted bid price); (iii) the Market Maker montage (the number of Market Makers quoting at or above \$1.00 and the size of their quotes); and, (iv) the trend of the stock price (is it up or down)."

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if the Company chooses to implement a reverse stock split, it must complete the split no later than ten business days prior to the expiration date in order to timely regain compliance.

If compliance cannot be demonstrated by April 8, 2024, Staff will provide written notification that the Company's securities will be delisted. At that time, the Company may appeal Staff's determination to a Hearings Panel (the "Panel"). Please note that if the Company appeals it will be asked to provide a plan to regain compliance to the Panel, and that historically Panels have generally viewed a near-term reverse stock split as the only definitive plan acceptable to resolve a bid price deficiency.<sup>4</sup>

In addition, an indicator will continue to be broadcast over Nasdaq's market data dissemination network noting the Company's noncompliance. The indicator will be displayed with quotation information related to the Company's securities on Nasdaq.com, NasdaqTrader.com and by other third-party providers of market data information. Also, a list of all non-compliant Nasdaq companies and the reason(s) for such non-compliance is posted on our website at listingcenter.nasdaq.com. The Company will continue to be included in this list.

The Company should consult with counsel regarding disclosure obligations surrounding this letter under the federal securities laws. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at  $+1 \ 202 \ 441 \ 5613$ .

Sincerely,

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Ellen Ignacio Listing Analyst Nasdaq Listing Qualifications

 $^{\rm 4}$  Panels do not typically consider a plan that relies on the market reaction to news as a definitive plan.

# **NASDAQ ONLINE RESOURCES**

All of our listing information and forms are available electronically on the Listing Center. In addition to facilitating electronic submission of forms, you can also use the Listing Center to access Nasdaq's Reference Library containing hundreds of frequently asked questions and Governance Clearinghouse containing the latest updates on corporate governance and listing standards.

To help you navigate the deficiency process, we have provided links to some our most viewed resource materials.

- •Board Composition and Committee Requirements
- •Governance Clearinghouse
- •Hearings Process
- •How to Transfer to Nasdaq Capital Market
- •Information about Application of Shareholder Approval Rules
- •Initial Listing Process
- •Listing Fees
- •Listing of Additional Shares Process
- •MarketWatch Electronic Disclosure Submissions
- •Nasdaq Listing Rules

•Reference Library: Frequently Asked Questions, Staff Interpretations and Listing Council Decisions