

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>WHEAT JAMES C III</u>                         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)<br>08/15/2008  | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>DYNEX CAPITAL INC</u> [ <u>DX</u> ] |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>C/O DYNEX CAPITAL, INC.</u><br><u>4551 COX ROAD, SUITE 300</u> | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |   | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street)<br><u>GLEN ALLEN VA 23060</u>   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                                 |   |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)   |  |   |  |

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) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 5,000   | D  |   |

**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) |
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|  | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |   |

**Explanation of Responses:**

Remarks:

Susan S. Ancarrow, Attorney-in-Fact for James C. Wheat III

08/25/2008

\*\* 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 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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SECTION 16  
POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, James C. Wheat III, do hereby constitute and appoint Shannon V. Patterson, Susan S. Ancarrow, and Stephen J. Benedetti, my true and lawful attorneys-in-fact, any of whom acting singly is hereby authorized, for me and in my name and on my behalf as a director, officer and/or shareholder of Dynex Capital, Inc., to (i) prepare, execute in my name and on my behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including any necessary amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling me to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC in respect thereof; and (ii) prepare, execute and file any and all forms, instruments or documents, including any necessary amendments thereto, as such attorneys or attorney deems necessary or advisable to enable me to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC in respect thereof (collectively, "Section 16").

I do hereby ratify and confirm all acts my said attorney shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. I acknowledge that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, serving in such capacity at my request, are not assuming, nor is Dynex Capital, Inc. assuming, any of my responsibilities to comply with Section 16.

This power of attorney shall remain in full force and effect until it is revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each such attorney-in-fact or the undersigned is no longer required to comply with Section 16, whichever occurs first.

WITNESS the execution hereof this 25th day of August,  
2008.

/s/ James C. Wheat III

James C. Wheat III