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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES

PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Nuveen New York Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

MASSACHUSETTS (State of Incorporation

or Organization)

36-4270661 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

333 West Wacker Drive

Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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

Title of Each Class

to be so Registered MuniFund Term Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$10.00 liquidation preference per share Name of Each Exchange On Which

Each Class is to be Registered New York Stock Exchange

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), please check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), please check the following box. "

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-163055

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

NONE

(Title of Class)

Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered.

The shares (the Shares) to be registered hereunder are MuniFund Term Preferred Shares, \$10.00 liquidation value per share, of Nuveen New York Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund (the Registrant). A description of the Shares is contained under the heading Description of Shares in the prospectus to be included in an amendment to the Registrant s registration statement on Form N-2, which registration statement was filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, on December 15, 2009 (Registration Nos. 333-163055 and 811-09135, respectively), and such description is incorporated herein by reference. The description of the Shares contained in the definitive prospectus to be filed pursuant to Rule 497, which will contain the final terms of the Shares, is deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and made part of this registration statement.

Item 2. Exhibits.

1. Form of Share Certificate

2. Rating Agency Guidelines*

3. Form of Statement Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of Registrant s MuniFund Term Preferred Shares

* Filed on November 12, 2009 with Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (Reg. Nos. 333-163055 and 811-09135) and incorporated herein by reference.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Date: December 15, 2009

NUVEEN NEW YORK DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND

By /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman Name: Gifford R. Zimmerman Title: Chief Administrative Officer

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