Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. Form 8-K December 12, 2006

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) December 12, 2006

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-33143	04-3106389
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

59 Maiden Lane, 6th Floor, New York, New York(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 220-7120

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Item 8.01 Other Information

All of the information furnished in Items 8.01 and 9.01 of this report, including the accompanying exhibit, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise and shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except to the extent expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

On December 12, 2006, AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. issued a press release announcing the declaration of a cash dividend of \$.02 per share of Common Stock payable on January 16, 2007 to all shareholders of record as of January 2, 2007.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Number	<u>Description</u>
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release

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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.

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: December 12, 2006 /s/ Stephen Ungar

Stephen Ungar Secretary