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## 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) May 23, 2011

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

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

10038 (Zip Code)

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

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

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 5.07

Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") held its Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 23, 2011. The certified results of the matters voted upon at the meeting, which are more fully described in the Company's proxy statement, are as follows:

Description of Matters Submitted	For	Withheld		
1. Election of Directors:				
Donald T. DeCarlo	44,705,457	287,734		
Susan C. Fisch	44,706,206	286,985		
Abraham Gulkowitz	44,706,074	287,117		
George Karfunkel	43,339,183	1,654,008		
Michael Karfunkel	38,500,145	6,493,046		
Jay J. Miller	44,562,325	430,866		
Barry D. Zyskind	44,460,760	532,431		
2. Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Company's independent auditor for the	For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Votes
year ended December 31, 2011.	50,779,401	21,855	32,103	0
3. Advisory vote on executive compensation	For 44,688,438	Against 288,713	Abstain 16,037	
4. Advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory	Every 3 years	Every 2 years	Every year	Abstain
votes on executive compensation	31,930,347	76,858	12,935,598	14,392

In accordance with the Board of Directors' recommendation, the largest number of shareholders voted, on an advisory, non-binding basis, to hold an advisory vote to approve executive compensation every three years. In line with this recommendation from the Company's shareholders, it is the Board of Directors' intention to include an advisory shareholder vote on executive compensation in the Company's proxy materials every three years until the next required advisory vote on the frequency of shareholder votes on executive compensation, which will occur no later than the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2017.

# 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.

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (Registrant)

Date

May 24, 2011

/s/ Stephen Ungar Stephen Ungar General Counsel and Secretary