DeCarlo Donald T Form 4 February 17, 2012

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DeCarlo Donald T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(I)

(Instr. 4)

NEW YORK, NY 10038

Code

(Instr. 8)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2012

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities

Beneficially

Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/15/2012		A	3,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,000	9

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DeCarlo Donald T C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038



## **Signatures**

/s/ Donald DeCarlo 02/17/2012

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- Mr. DeCarlo received restricted stock units representing 3,000 shares subject to a three-year vesting schedule, vesting one-third on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date. As restricted stock units vest, the vested units are automatically converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

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