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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13E-3

(Rule 13e-100)

TRANSACTION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 13(e) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND RULE 13e-3 THEREUNDER

Rule 13e-3 Transaction Statement under Section 13(e)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Name of Subject Company (Issuer)

AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

EVERGREEN MERGER SUB, INC.

EVERGREEN PARENT, L.P.

EVERGREEN PARENT GP, LLC

K-Z EVERGREEN, LLC

BARRY D. ZYSKIND

GEORGE KARFUNKEL

LEAH KARFUNKEL

OTHER ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDERS

TRIDENT PINE ACQUISITION LP

TRIDENT PINE GP, LLC

TRIDENT VII PROFESSIONALS FUND, L.P.

TRIDENT VII, L.P.

TRIDENT VII DE PARALLEL FUND, L.P.

TRIDENT VII PARALLEL FUND, L.P.

(Names of Filing Persons (other person(s)))

Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

032359309

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Trident Pine Acquisition LP

K-Z Evergreen, LLC

c/o Stone Point Capital, LLC

c/o AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

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This statement is filed in connection with (check the appropriate box):

- a. The filing of solicitation materials or an information statement subject to Regulation 14A, Regulation 14C or Rule 13e-3(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- b. The filing of a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.
- c. A tender offer.
- d. None of the above.

Check the following box if the soliciting materials or information statement referred to in checking box (a) are preliminary copies:

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the transaction:

Calculation of Filing Fee

Transaction valuation*

Amount of filing fee**

\$1,256,281,827

\$156,408

* The maximum aggregate value was determined based upon the sum of: (1) 92,462,897 shares of Common Stock (including shares subject to restricted stock units, performance share units and shares of restricted Common Stock) multiplied by \$13.50 per share (excluding shares of Common Stock (i) held by Merger Sub or Parent, (ii) held by the Company in treasury or (iii) held by any wholly owned subsidiary of the Company); and (2) stock options to purchase 1,111,554 shares of Common Stock with an exercise price per share below \$13.50 multiplied by \$7.23 per share (the difference between \$13.50 and the weighted average exercise price of \$6.27 per share).

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The filing fee was calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, by multiplying the transaction value by 0.0001245.

Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the form or schedule and date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: \$156,408 Filing Party: AmTrust Financial

Services, Inc.

Form or Registration No.: Schedule 14A Date Filed: April 9, 2018

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THIS TRANSACTION, PASSED UPON THE MERITS OR FAIRNESS OF THIS TRANSACTION, OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THE DISCLOSURE IN THIS SCHEDULE 13E-3. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

Introduction

This Rule 13E-3 Transaction Statement on Schedule 13E-3, together with the exhibits hereto (the **Schedule 13E-3** or the Transaction Statement), is being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) pursuant to Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the **Exchange Act**), by: (i) AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (the Company) (ii) Evergreen Merger Sub, Inc. (Merger Sub), a Delaware corporation, (iii) Evergreen Parent, L.P. (**Parent**), a Delaware partnership, (iv) Evergreen Parent GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, (**EPGP**, and together with Parent and Merger Sub, the **Parent Parties**), (v) K-Z Evergreen, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, (K-Z), (vi) Barry D. Zyskind, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, (vii) George Karfunkel, an individual and a director of the Company, (viii) Leah Karfunkel, an individual and a director of the Company (collectively, with Barry D. Zyskind and George Karfunkel, the Karfunkel-Zyskind Family Persons, and together with K-Z, the Family Filing Persons), (ix) Trident Pine Acquisition LP (Trident Pine), a Delaware limited partnership, (x) Trident Pine GP, LLC, (Trident Pine GP) a Delaware limited liability company, (xi) Trident VII Professionals Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (xii) Trident VII, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (xiii) Trident VII DE Parallel Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, (xiv) Trident VII Parallel Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (clauses (xi) through (xiv), collectively, the **Trident VII Funds** and together with Trident Pine and Trident Pine GP, the **Trident Filing Persons**) and (xv) certain related parties who have committed to contribute all of their shares of common stock of the Company to Parent immediately prior to the Closing of the Merger (the Other Rollover Stockholders and, collectively with the Karfunkel-Zyskind Family Persons, the **Rollover Stockholders**) (collectively with the Parent Parties, the Trident Filing Persons and the Family Filing Persons, the Filing Persons)

This Transaction Statement relates to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 1, 2018 (the Merger **Agreement**), by and among Parent, Merger Sub and the Company. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, if the conditions to the closing of the merger are either satisfied or waived, Merger Sub will be merged with and into the Company, the separate corporate existence of Merger Sub will cease and the Company will continue its corporate existence under Delaware law as the surviving corporation in the merger (the Merger). At the effective time of the Merger, each share of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share (the **Common Stock**), that is issued and outstanding immediately prior to effective time of the Merger (other than shares of common stock of the Company that are (i) held by Merger Sub or Parent, (ii) held by the Company in treasury, (iii) held by any wholly owned subsidiary of the Company or (iv) held by any of the Company s common stockholders who have demanded and perfected such holder s right to appraisal of such shares in accordance with Section 262 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and have not withdrawn or otherwise lost such rights to appraisal) will be converted into the right to receive merger consideration of \$13.50 per share of Common Stock in cash, without interest and less any required withholding taxes and, when so converted, will automatically be cancelled and cease to exist, except the right to receive the merger consideration. Upon completion of the Merger, the shares of Common Stock will no longer be publicly traded, and common stockholders (other than the Family Filing Persons and the Other Rollover Stockholders) will cease to have any ownership interest in the Company.

The board of directors of the Company, and based in part on the unanimous recommendation of a special committee of independent and disinterested directors, for purposes of serving on the special committee, that was established to evaluate and negotiate a potential transaction (as described more fully in the Proxy Statement (as defined below)), has unanimously (a) determined that the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, including the Merger, are fair to, and in the best interests of, the Company s common stockholders (including the Public Stockholders (as defined below)), (b) approved and declared advisable the execution, delivery and performance of the Merger Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated therein, including the Merger, and (c) resolved to recommend that the Company s common stockholders vote for the adoption of the Merger Agreement. The Merger remains subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to closing provided for in the Merger Agreement, including obtaining the affirmative vote of (i) the holders of at least a majority of all outstanding shares of Common Stock and (ii) the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock owned by the Public Stockholders in favor of the

adoption of the Merger Agreement. For purposes of this Transaction Statement, Public Stockholders means the Company's common stockholders, excluding: Parent and its affiliates; the Rollover Stockholders (including each immediate family member (as such term is defined in Item 404 of Regulation S-K) of each Rollover Stockholder, and any trust or other entity in which any rollover stockholder or any such immediate family member holds, beneficially or otherwise, a material voting, proprietary, equity or other financial interest); and the directors and officers of the Company set forth on Schedule I to the Merger Agreement.

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Concurrently with the filing of this Transaction Statement, the Company is filing with the SEC a preliminary proxy statement (the **Proxy Statement**) under Regulation 14A of the Exchange Act, pursuant to which the Company is board of directors is soliciting proxies from common stockholders of the Company in connection with the Merger. The Proxy Statement is attached hereto as Exhibit (a)(1). A copy of the Merger Agreement is attached to the Proxy Statement as Annex A-1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to General Instruction F to Schedule 13E-3, the information in the Proxy Statement, including all annexes thereto, is expressly incorporated by reference herein in its entirety, and responses to each item herein are qualified in their entirety by the information contained in the Proxy Statement. The cross-references below are being supplied pursuant to General Instruction G to Schedule 13E-3 and show the location in the Proxy Statement of the information required to be included in response to the items of Schedule 13E-3. As of the date hereof, the Proxy Statement is in preliminary form and is subject to completion or amendment.

All information concerning the Company contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this Transaction Statement and the Proxy Statement was supplied by the Company, and none of the other Filing Persons take responsibility for the accuracy of such information. Similarly, all information concerning each other Filing Person contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this Transaction Statement and the Proxy Statement was supplied by such Filing Person. No Filing Person, including the Company, is responsible for the accuracy of any information supplied by any other Filing Person.

Item 1. Summary Term Sheet

The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Item 2. Subject Company Information

(a) Name and Address. The Company s name and the address and telephone number of its principal executive offices are as follows:

AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

59 Maiden Lane, 43rd Floor

New York, NY 10038

(212) 220-7120

- **(b) Securities.** The classes of securities to which this Transaction Statement relates is the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 196,316,875 shares were issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2018.
- **(c) Trading Market and Price.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Market Price of the Company s Common Stock

(d) **Dividends.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Dividends

The Merger Agreement Conduct of Business Pending the Merger

(e) Prior Public Offerings. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Prior Public Offerings

(f) Prior Stock Purchases. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Transactions in Common Stock

Item 3. Identity and Background of the Filing Persons

(a) (c) Name and Address; Business and Background of Entities; Business and Background of Natural Persons. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Important Information Regarding AmTrust

Important Information Regarding Parent, Parent GP, Merger Sub, K-Z LLC, Trident Pine, Trident Pine GP, LLC, the Karfunkel-Zyskind Family and the Other Rollover Stockholders

The Parties to the Merger

Item 4. Terms of the Transaction

- (a) (1) Tender Offers. Not applicable.
- (a) (2) Mergers or Similar Transactions. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

The Merger Agreement Structure of the Merger

The Merger Agreement Effect of the Merger on the Common Shares of the Company and Merger Sub

The Merger Agreement Treatment of Company Equity Awards

The Merger Agreement Payment for the Common Shares in the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

The Special Meeting Required Vote

The Merger Agreement Conditions to the Merger

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Anticipated Accounting Treatment of the Merger

Special Factors Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

(c) Different Terms. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

The Merger Agreement Effect of the Merger on the Common Shares of the Company and Merger Sub

(d) **Appraisal Rights.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Dissenters Rights of Appraisal

Dissenters Rights to Appraisal

Annex B: Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law

(e) Provisions for Unaffiliated Security Holders. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Provisions for Public Stockholders

(f) Eligibility for Listing or Trading. Not applicable.

Item 5. Past Contacts, Transactions, Negotiations and Agreements

(a) (1) (2) **Transactions.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Rollover Agreement

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Transactions in Common Stock

(b) (c) Significant Corporate Events; Negotiations or Contacts. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

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Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Position of the Filing Persons as to Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Rollover Agreement

The Merger Agreement

Rollover Agreement

Annex A-1: Merger Agreement

Annex A-2: Rollover Agreement

(e) Agreements Involving the Subject Company s Securities. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Questions and Answers About the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Rollover Agreement

Special Factors No Solicitation; No Adverse Company Recommendation

Special Factors Termination

Special Factors Termination Fee and Parent Expenses

The Special Meeting Required Vote

The Merger Agreement

Rollover Agreement

Annex A-1: Merger Agreement

Annex A-2: Rollover Agreement

Item 6. Purposes of the Transaction and Plans or Proposals.

(b) Use of Securities Acquired. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

The Merger Agreement Effect of the Merger on the Common Shares of the Company and Merger Sub

The Merger Agreement Treatment of Company Equity Awards

(c) (1) (8) Plans. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Rollover Agreement

The Special Meeting Required Vote

The Merger Agreement Structure of the Merger

The Merger Agreement Effect of the Merger on the Common Shares of the Company and Merger Sub

The Merger Agreement Treatment of Company Equity Awards

Rollover Agreement

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Dividends

Annex A-1: Merger Agreement

Annex A-2: Rollover Agreement

Item 7. Purposes, Alternatives, Reasons and Effects

(a) **Purposes.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

(b) Alternatives. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

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Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

(c) **Reasons.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Position of the Filing Persons as to Fairness of the Merger

(d) Effects. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Summary Term Sheet

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Certain Effects of the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Anticipated Accounting Treatment of the Merger

Special Factors Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

The Merger Agreement Structure of the Merger

The Merger Agreement Effect of the Merger on the Common Shares of the Company and Merger Sub

The Merger Agreement Treatment of Company Equity Awards

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Item 8. Fairness of the Transaction

(a) (b) Fairness; Factors Considered in Determining Fairness. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Summary Term Sheet Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Position of the Filing Persons as to Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Projected Financial Information

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Important Information Regarding AmTrust

Annex C: Opinion of Deutsche Bank

(c) Approval of Security Holders. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Record Date and Quorum

Summary Term Sheet Required Stockholder Votes for the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Conditions to the Merger

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

The Special Meeting Record Date and Quorum

The Special Meeting Required Vote

The Merger Agreement Conditions to the Merger

(d) Unaffiliated Representative. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Annex C: Opinion of Deutsche Bank

(e) Approval of Directors. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

(f) Other Offers. Not applicable.

Item 9. Reports, Opinions, Appraisals and Negotiations

(a) (c) Report, Opinion or Appraisal; Preparer and Summary of the Report, Opinion or Appraisal; Availability of Documents. The reports, opinions or appraisals referenced in this Item 9 will be made available for inspection and copying at the principal executive offices of the Company during its regular business hours by any interested equity security holder of the Company or representative who has been so designated in writing. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Position of the Filing Persons as to Fairness of the Merger

Where You Can Find Additional Information

Annex C: Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Presentations to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, January 4, January 16, January 29, January 31, February 5, February 7, February 11, February 20, February 22, February 26 and February 28 are filed as Exhibits (c)(2) (c)(12), respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 10. Source and Amounts of Funds or Other Consideration

(a) (b) Source of Funds; Conditions. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Equity Financing

Special Factors Equity Financing

(c) Expenses. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Termination Fee and Parent Expenses

Special Factors Fees and Expenses

The Merger Agreement Termination Fee and Parent Expenses

(d) Borrowed Funds. Not applicable.

Item 11. Interest in Securities of the Subject Company

(a) Securities Ownership. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners

(b) Securities Transactions. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Rollover Agreements

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Transactions in Common Stock

Item 12. The Solicitation or Recommendation

(d) Intent to Tender or Vote in a Going-Private Transaction. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Required Stockholder Votes for the Merger

Summary Term Sheet Rollover Agreement

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Rollover Agreement

The Special Meeting Required Vote

Rollover Agreement

(e) Recommendation of Others. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Reasons for the Merger; Recommendation of the Special Committee; Recommendation of the Board of Directors; Fairness of the Merger

Special Factors Purposes and Reasons of the Filing Persons for the Merger

Special Factors Position of the Filing Persons as to Fairness of the Merger

Item 13. Financial Statements

(a) **Financial Information.** The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Historical Selected Financial Information

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends

Important Information Regarding AmTrust Book Value Per Share

Where You Can Find Additional Information

The audited financial statements set forth in Item 8 of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

(b) Pro Forma Information. Not applicable.

Item 14. Persons/Assets, Retained, Employed, Compensated or Used

(a) (b) Solicitations or Recommendations; Employees and Corporate Assets. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Opinion of Deustche Bank

Summary Term Sheet Equity Financing

Questions and Answers about the Special Meeting and the Merger

Special Factors Background of the Merger

Special Factors Opinion of Deutsche Bank

Special Factors Equity Financing

Special Factors Fees and Expenses

The Special Meeting Solicitation of Proxies

Item 15. Additional Information

(b) Golden Parachute Compensation. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet Interests of Certain of the Company's Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

Special Factors Interests of Certain of the Company s Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger

(c) Other Material Information. The information set forth in the Proxy Statement, including all annexes thereto, is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 16. Exhibits

(a)(1) Proxy Statement of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to the Schedule 14A filed concurrently with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 9, 2018 (the **Proxy Statement**).

- (a)(2) Form of Proxy Card (incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement).
- (a)(3) Letter to the Company Shareholders (incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement).
- (a)(4) Notice of Special Meeting of Shareholders (incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement).
- (a)(5) Press Release of the Company, dated as of March 1, 2018 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 1, 2018).
- (b) None.
- (c)(1) Opinion of Deutsche Bank (incorporated herein by reference to Annex C of the Proxy Statement).
- (c)(2) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated January 4, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(3) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated January 16, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(4) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated January 29, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(5) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated January 31, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(6) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 5, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(7) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 7, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(8) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 11, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(9) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 20, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(10) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 22, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(11) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 26, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (c)(12) Presentation to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company, dated February 28, 2018, presented by Deutsche Bank, provided to the Special Committee.
- (d)(1) Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated March 1, 2018, by and among Evergreen Parent, L.P., Evergreen Merger Sub, Inc. and AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Annex A-1 of the Proxy Statement).

- (d)(2) Rollover Agreement, dated as of March 1, 2018, by and between Evergreen Parent, L.P. and the Rollover Stockholders (incorporated herein by reference to Annex A-2 of the Proxy Statement).
- (d)(3) Interim Investors Agreement, dated March 1, 2018, by and among Evergreen Parent, L.P., Evergreen Merger Sub, Inc., K-Z Evergreen, LLC, Trident Pine Acquisition LP and, for certain limited purposes set forth therein, the Barry D. Zyskind, George Karfunkel and Leah Karfunkel (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.10 of the Schedule 13D filed by Barry D. Zyskind on March 1, 2018).
- (d)(4) Trident Equity Commitment Letter, dated March 1, 2018, by and among Trident Pine Acquisition LP and Evergreen Parent, L.P (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.7 of the Schedule 13D filed by Barry D. Zyskind on March 1, 2018).

- (d)(5) K-Z Equity Commitment Letter, dated March 1, 2018, by and among K-Z Evergreen, LLC and Evergreen Parent, L.P (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.8 of the Schedule 13D filed by Barry D. Zyskind on March 1, 2018).
- (d)(6) Back-to-Back Commitment Letter, dated March 1, 2018, by and among Barry D. Zyskind, George Karfunkel, Leah Karfunkel and K-Z Evergreen, LLC (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.11 of the Schedule 13D filed by Barry D. Zyskind on March 1, 2018).
- (d)(7) Back-to-Back Commitment Letter, dated March 1, 2018, by and among Trident Pine Acquisition LP, Trident VII, L.P., Trident VII Parallel Fund, L.P., Trident VII DE Parallel Fund, L.P. and Trident VII Professionals Fund, L.P. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.12 of the Schedule 13D filed by Barry D. Zyskind on March 1, 2018).
- (f) Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (incorporated herein by reference to Annex B of the Proxy Statement).
- (g) None.

SIGNATURES

After due inquiry and to the best of each of the undersigned s knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated as of April 9, 2018

AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ David Saks

Name: David Saks

Title: Chief Legal Officer

EVERGREEN MERGER SUB, INC.

By: /s/ Barry D. Zyskind

Name: Barry D. Zyskind

Title: Co-President and Co-Secretary

EVERGREEN PARENT, L.P.

By Evergreen Parent, GP, LLC, its general

partner

By: /s/ Barry D. Zyskind

Name: Barry D. Zyskind

Title: Manager

EVERGREEN PARENT GP, LLC

By: /s/ Barry D. Zyskind

Name: Barry D. Zyskind

Title: Manager

K-Z EVERGREEN, LLC

By: /s/ Barry D. Zyskind

Name: Barry D. Zyskind

Title: Manager

BARRY D. ZYSKIND

/s/ Barry D. Zyskind Name: Barry D. Zyskind

GEORGE KARFUNKEL

/s/ George Karfunkel Name: George Karfunkel

LEAH KARFUNKEL

/s/ Leah Karfunkel Name: Leah Karfunkel

ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDER

/s/ Barry Karfunkel Name: Barry Karfunkel

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/s/ Robert Karfunkel Name: Robert Karfunkel

ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDER

/s/ Anne Neuberger Name: Anne Neuberger

ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDER

/s/ Sarah Horowitz Name: Sarah Horowitz

ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDER

/s/ Bernard Karfunkel Name: Bernard Karfunkel

ROLLOVER STOCKHOLDER

/s/ Cindy Brecher Name: Cindy Brecher

TRIDENT PINE ACQUISITION LP

By Trident Pine GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ David Wermuth

Name: David Wermuth

Title: Manager

TRIDENT PINE GP, LLC

By: /s/ David Wermuth

Name: David Wermuth

Title: Manager

TRIDENT VII PROFESSIONALS FUND,

L.P.

By Stone Point Capital LLC, its manager

By: /s/ David Wermuth

Name: David Wermuth

Title: Senior Principal; General Counsel

TRIDENT VII, L.P.

By Stone Point Capital LLC, its manager

By: /s/ David Wermuth

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Title: Senior Principal; General Counsel

TRIDENT VII DE PARALLEL FUND, L.P.

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