Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Gulkowitz Abraham

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

[AFSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2016

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 43RD FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10038

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or			r	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(A)			Reported		
					or		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(IIISu. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	2,200 (1)	A (2)	\$0	31,860 (3)	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	2,000 (4)	A (5)	\$ 0	33,860	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	1,114 (6)	A (7)	\$0	34,974	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if TransactiorDer any Code Sec (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acc Dis		Acquire Dispose (Instr. 3	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(8)</u>	03/05/2016		M		2,200	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	2,200
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(8)</u>	03/05/2016		M		2,000	(10)	(10)	Common Stock	2,000
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(8)</u>	03/05/2016		M		1,114	(11)	<u>(11)</u>	Common Stock	1,114
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	03/05/2016		A	1,944		(12)	(12)	Common Stock	1,944

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gulkowitz Abraham C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038

Signatures

/s/ Abraham Gulkowitz 03/06/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Reporting Owners 2

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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) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 1,100 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2013 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 2,200 restricted stock units.
- (2) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-third of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Gulkowitz on March 5, 2013.
- On February 2, 2016, the common stock of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. split two-for-one, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 14,830 additional shares of common stock.
- As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 2,000 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2014 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 4,000 restricted stock units.
- (5) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-third of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Gulkowitz on March 5, 2014.
- As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 557 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2015 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 1,114 restricted stock units.
- (7) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-third of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Gulkowitz on March 5, 2015.
- (8) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- On March 5, 2013, Mr. Gulkowitz received restricted stock units subject to a three-year vesting schedule, vesting one-third on 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.
- On March, 5, 2014, Mr. Gulkowitz received restricted stock units subject to a three-year vesting schedule, vesting one-third on 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.
- On March, 5, 2015, Mr. Gulkowitz received restricted stock units that will vest on the first year anniversary of the grant date. As

 (11) restricted stock units vest, the vested units are automatically converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date
- On March 5, 2016, Mr. Gulkowitz received restricted stock units that will vest on the first year anniversary of the grant date. As (12) 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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