Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

Form 4

May 25, 2016

# FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

Stock

Stock

Common

05/23/2016

05/23/2016

(Print or Type Responses)

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|--------------------------------------|---|--|-------|-----------|-----|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|----------|--|
| 1. Name and A                        | S                                       | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.<br>[AFSI] |       |           |     |                                   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) |  |  |  |          |  |
| (Last)  C/O AMTR SERVICES LANE, 43R  | (<br>L                                  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2016                                  |       |           |     |                                   | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)             |  |  |  |          |  |
| NEW YOR                              |   | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)   |       |           |     |                                   |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |          |  |
| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip)  | Table | e I - Noi | n-D | erivative                         | Secur  | ities Acq  | uired, Disposed o  | f, or Beneficial   | ly Owned |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)          |       |           |     | 4. Securi on (A) or Di (Instr. 3, | isposed  | d of (D)   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) |          |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/23/2016                              |  |       | M         | •   | 4,168<br>(1)                      | A<br>(2)   | \$ 0   | 104,940  | D  |          |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/23/2016                              |  |       | F         |     | 2,162<br>(3)                      | D  | \$<br>26.16  | 102,778  | D  |          |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/23/2016                              |  |       | M         |     | 6,824<br>(4)                      | A (5)  | \$0  | 109,602  | D  |          |  |

(6)

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M

3,539

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| Common<br>Stock |            |   | 5,532<br>(7)  | A (8)     |             |         |   |
|-----------------|------------|---|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 05/23/2016 | F | 2,869<br>(9)  | D         | \$<br>26.16 | 108,726 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 05/23/2016 | M | 8,354<br>(10) | A<br>(11) | \$ 0        | 117,080 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 05/23/2016 | F | 4,332<br>(12) | D         | \$<br>26.16 | 112,748 | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of actionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |       | 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<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (13)  | 05/23/2016                              |   | M                                      |  | 4,168 | <u>(14)</u>  | <u>(14)</u>        | Common<br>Stock   | 4,168                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (13)  | 05/23/2016                              |   | M                                      |  | 6,824 | (15)   | (15)               | Common<br>Stock   | 6,824                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (13)  | 05/23/2016                              |   | M                                      |  | 5,532 | (16)   | (16)               | Common<br>Stock   | 5,532                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (13)  | 05/23/2016                              |   | M                                      |  | 8,354 | (17)   | (17)               | Common<br>Stock   | 8,354                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (13)  | 05/23/2016                              |   | A                                      | 38,227   |       | (18)   | (18)               | Common<br>Stock   | 38,227                              |
|   |   |   |   |  |  |       |  |                    |   |                                     |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

EVP, Chief Legal Officer

## **Signatures**

Reporting Person

/s/ David Saks 05/24/2016

\*\*Signature of Date

# **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, 2,084 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 23, 2012 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 4,168 restricted stock units.
- (2) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2012.
- (3) Disposition of common stock resulting from the withholding of securities for the payment of tax liability relating to the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2012.
- (4) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 6,824 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 23, 2013 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 13,648 restricted stock units.
- (5) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2013.
- (6) Disposition of common stock resulting from the withholding of securities for the payment of tax liability relating to the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2013.
- (7) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 8,298 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 23, 2014 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 16,596 restricted stock units.
- (8) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2014.
- (9) Disposition of common stock resulting from the withholding of securities for the payment of tax liability relating to the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2014.
- (10) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 16,706 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 23, 2015 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 33,412 restricted stock units.
- (11) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2015.
- (12) Disposition of common stock resulting from the withholding of securities for the payment of tax liability relating to the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 23, 2015.
- (13) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- On May 23, 2012, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third and fourth 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 May 23, 2013, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third (15) and fourth 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 May 23, 2014, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third (16) and fourth 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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- On May 23, 2015, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third and fourth 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 May 23, 2016, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third and fourth 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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