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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock (1)

Common

Stock (2)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Pipoly Ronald E Jr Issuer Symbol Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. (Check all applicable) [AFSI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL 07/17/2012 Chief Financial Officer SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10038 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transactionr Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported (A)

Code V

M

S

or

(D)

Α

D

Amount

12,000

6.750

Price

29.7623

\$ 7

\$

(3)

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

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

66,406

59,656

(Instr. 4)

D

D

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative Securities 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 Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 7	07/17/2012		M		12,000	02/09/2007	02/09/2016	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pipoly Ronald E Jr C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Ronald E. Pipoly, Jr. 07/17/2012

**Signature of Reporting 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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 16, 2011.
- (2) Shares sold to satisfy income tax withholding liabilities and payment of the option exercise price.
 - The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$29.50 to \$30.25 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. or any of its security
- holders, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 3.

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