

SAKS DAVID  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SAKS DAVID

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) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/27/2012

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Legal Officer

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10038

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/27/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 11,420 A \$ 8.17  | 14,285   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/27/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 825 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 27.8486   | 13,460   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/28/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 6,203 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 28.0107   | 7,257  | 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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option<br>(4)                        | \$ 8.17  | 11/27/2012                           |  | M                              | 11,420  | 05/21/2010 05/21/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 11,420                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| SAKS DAVID<br>C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.<br>59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10038 |               |           | Chief<br>Legal<br>Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David Saks 11/28/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person 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) Shares sold to satisfy income tax withholding liabilities and payment of the option exercise price.  
The price included in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$27.76 to \$27.85 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 Commissions, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes 2 and 3.
- (2) The price included in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$27.93 to \$28.09 per share, inclusive.
- (3)
- (4)

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Pursuant to anti-dilution provisions in AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s 2010 Omnibus Incentive Plan, this option was previously reported as an option for 50,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$8.99 per share, but was adjusted to reflect the 10% stock dividend declared by AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. on August 6, 2012 and payable on September 20, 2012.

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