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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAKS DAVID

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[AFSI]

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 05/21/2011

X_ Officer (give title below) Chief Legal Officer

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

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

NEW YORK, NY 10038

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V

Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 05/21/2011 Stock

1,262 M

F

\$0

D

Common Stock

05/23/2011

423 (2) D

839

1,262

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	05/21/2011		M		1,262	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,262
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	05/23/2011		A	4,740		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	4,740

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ David Saks 05/24/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saks on May 21, 2010.
- (2) 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 21, 2010.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- (4) On May 21, 2010, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units representing 5,048 shares subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.
- On May 23, 2011, Mr. Saks received restricted stock units representing 4,740 shares 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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