Saxon Michael J Form 4 September 24, 2012

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Saxon Michael J

(Last) (First)

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL

SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Symbol

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Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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09/24/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Operating Officer

(Middle)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

NEW YORK, NY 10038

Stock

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 09/24/2012 F 95,604 (2) 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)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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						Exercisable		Title Number of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Saxon Michael J C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Catherine Miller as attorney-in-fact for Michael J. Saxon

09/24/2012

**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 withheld to satisfy income tax withholding liabilities upon vesting of restricted stock.
- On August 6, 2012, AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. declared a 10% stock dividend payable on September 20, 2012 to all holders of record of common stock as of September 4, 2012. As a result, the reporting person received 8,731 shares of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. common stock on September 20, 2012.

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