

Karkowsky Adam  
Form 4  
May 24, 2018

**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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Karkowsky Adam

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL  
SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN  
LANE, 43RD FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10038

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.  
[AFSI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/23/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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

**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 (1) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	05/23/2018		M		11,064 (1)	A	\$ 0 69,801 D
Common Stock	05/23/2018		F		5,419 (2)	D	\$ 13.76 64,382 D
Common Stock	05/23/2018		M		7,308 (3)	A	\$ 0 71,690 D
Common Stock	05/23/2018		F		3,579 (4)	D	\$ 13.76 68,111 D
	05/23/2018		M			A	\$ 0 77,668 D

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Common Stock				9,557 (5)			
Common Stock	05/23/2018	F		4,681 (6)	D	\$ 13.76	72,987 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)	8. I De Sec (In
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	05/23/2018		M	11,064	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	11,064
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	05/23/2018		M	7,308	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	7,308
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	05/23/2018		M	9,557	<u>(10)</u>	<u>(10)</u>	Common Stock	9,557

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Adam  
Karkowsky

05/24/2018

\_\_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) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Karkowsky on May 23, 2014.
- (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. Karkowsky on May 23, 2014.
- (3) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Karkowsky on May 23, 2015.
- (4) 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. Karkowsky on May 23, 2015.
- (5) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Karkowsky on May 23, 2016.
- (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. Karkowsky on May 23, 2016.
- (7) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.  
On May 23, 2014, Mr. Karkowsky 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.
- (8) On May 23, 2015, Mr. Karkowsky 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.
- (9) On May 23, 2016, Mr. Karkowsky 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 converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.
- (10)

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