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FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Karkowsky Adam

(First)

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL

SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 43RD FLOOR

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year) 03/27/2018

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10038

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

3.

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of iorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	/ (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/27/2018		A	28,113	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	28,113

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

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Signatures

/s/ Adam

Karkowsky 03/28/2018

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- On March 27, 2018, Mr. Karkowsky received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting 25% annually on the (2) first, second, third and fourth March 5th following 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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