Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pipoly Ronald E Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. [AFSI]

Director

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(State)

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

02/15/2016

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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

(Street)

(Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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(City)

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/15/2016		M	11,104 (1)	A (2)	\$ 0	586,932	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2016		F	3,970 (3)	D	\$ 25.05	582,962	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 or 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 II S (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (1)	<u>(4)</u>	02/15/2016		M		11,104	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	11,104	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pipoly Ronald E Jr 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/ Ronald E. Pipoly, Jr. 02/15/2016

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 5,552 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2012 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 11,104 restricted stock units.
- (2) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Pipoly on February 15, 2012.
- (3) 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. Pipoly on February 15, 2012.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- On February 15, 2012, Mr. Pipoly 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.

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