Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

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Name and Address of Reporting Person * Saxon Michael J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. [AFSI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 43RD FLOOR		IAL	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2016	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Operating Officer
NEW YORK,	(Street) NY 10038		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

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1.Title of Security			3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	
(Instr. 3)	•	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	9,500 (1)	A (2)	\$0	602,319	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F	4,739 (3)	D	\$ 25.73	597,580	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	9,172 (4)	A (5)	\$ 0	606,752	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F	4,575 (6)	D	\$ 25.73	602,177	D	
	03/05/2016		M			\$0	608,675	D	

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Common Stock				6,498 (7)	A (8)			
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F	3,241 (9)	D	\$ 25.73	605,434	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 on 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (1)	(10)	03/05/2016		M		9,500	<u>(11)</u>	(11)	Common Stock	9,500
Restricted Stock Units (4)	(10)	03/05/2016		M		9,172	(12)	(12)	Common Stock	9,172
Restricted Stock Units (7)	(10)	03/05/2016		M		6,498	(13)	(13)	Common Stock	6,498
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(10)</u>	03/05/2016		A	27,206		(14)	(14)	Common Stock	27,206

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Saxon Michael J C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK NY 10038			EVP, Chief Operating Officer				

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/s/ Michael J.

Saxon 03/07/2016

**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) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 9,500 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2013 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 19,000 restricted stock units.
- (2) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saxon on March 5, 2013.
- (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. Saxon on March 5, 2013.
- (4) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 13,758 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2014 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 27,516 restricted stock units.
- (5) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saxon on March 5, 2014.
- 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. Saxon on March 5, 2014.
- (7) As a result of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s two-for-one stock split, 12,995 restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on March 5, 2015 that had not yet vested on February 2, 2016 became 25,990 restricted stock units.
- (8) Acquisition of common stock resulting from the vesting of one-fourth of the restricted stock units granted to Mr. Saxon on March 5, 2015.
- (9) 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. Saxon on March 5, 2015.
- (10) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.'s common stock.
- On March 5, 2013, Mr. Saxon received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting one-fourth on each of 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.
- On March 5, 2014, Mr. Saxon received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting one-fourth on each of 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.
- On March 5, 2015, Mr. Saxon received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting one-fourth on each of the (13) 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.
- On March 5, 2016, Mr. Saxon received restricted stock units subject to a four-year vesting schedule, vesting one-fourth on each of 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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