

Simkin Jacqueline M
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Simkin Jacqueline M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 801 BRICKELL AVE, SUITE 2350
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/15/2012

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

MIAMI, FL 33131
 (City) (State) (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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/15/2012		P	5,000 A \$ 1.3198	765,640 ⁽¹⁾	I	Held by The Jacqueline Simkin Revocable Trust as Amended & Restated 12/16/03 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock					719,000 ⁽¹⁾	I	Held by The LTS #2 Grantor Retained

Common Stock	211,000	I	Annuity Trust dtd 11/18/11 ⁽³⁾ Held by The Jacqueline Simkin Charitable Remainder Unitrust dtd 09/06/2002 <u>(4)</u>
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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
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Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Simkin Jacqueline M 801 BRICKELL AVE, SUITE 2350 MIAMI, FL 33131	X			

Signatures

/s/ Jacqueline M. Simkin
08/16/2012
Date

__Signature of 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) Since the date of the reporting person's last report, 5,000 shares previously held through The LTS #2 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dtd 11/18/11 were transferred to The Jacqueline Simkin Revocable Trust as Amended & Restated 12/16/03.
- (2) The reporting person is the trustee of the above-listed trust.

The reporting person is a trustee of the above-listed trust and disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of her pecuniary interest
- (3) therein. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.

The reporting person is a co-trustee of the above-listed trust and disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of her pecuniary
- (4) interest therein. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.

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