Amtrust Financial Services, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Pipoly Ronald E Jr

SERVICES, INC., Â 59

(Last)

(First)

C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL

MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

11/09/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. [AFSI]

4. Relationship of Reporting

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

Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Chief Financial Officer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10038

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Form: Direct (D)

Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

SEC 1473 (7-02)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value

100

Â 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options to Purchase Common Stock	02/09/2007(1)	02/09/2016	Common Stock, \$.01 par	343,750	\$ 7	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kciationsinps				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

Pipoly Ronald E Jr C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NYÂ 10038

 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} Chief Financial Officer \hat{A}

Deletionships

Signatures

/s/ Ronald E. Pipoly 11/16/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 25% of the options granted to the Reporting Person under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan vest on February 9, 2007, the first anniversary of the date of grant. The remaining 75% of the options vest pro rata quarterly over the three-year period following February 9, 2007.

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