

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
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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 \*  
**ZEITCHICK MARK**

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)  
 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD, 12TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/14/2016

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

MIAMI, FL 33137  
 (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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/14/2016		A	V	250,000 (1) \$ 0 2,877,801	I	Held by MZ Trading LLC, of which Mr. Zeitchick is the sole managing member
8.00% Series A					4,000 (2)	I	Held by MZ

Cumulative  
Redeemable  
Preferred  
Stock

Trading  
LLC, of  
which Mr.  
Zeitchick  
is the sole  
managing  
member

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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		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
					Acquired (A)	Disposed of (D)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.65	01/14/2016		A	200,000		(3) 01/14/2026	Common Stock	200,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZEITCHICK MARK 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD 12TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137	X		Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Mark  
Zeitchick

01/19/2016

\_\_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) Restricted shares of common stock issued pursuant to the issuer's Amended and Restated 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. Restricted shares vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant provided Mr. Zeitchick is then still an employee or director of the issuer, subject to earlier vesting upon his death or disability or a change of control of the issuer.

(2) The 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock is convertible into common stock at a non-fixed conversion rate in connection with a change of control as described in the issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 24, 2013.

(3) The option will vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant provided Mr. Zeitchick is then still an employee or director of the issuer, subject to earlier vesting upon his death or disability or a change of control of the issuer.

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