

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
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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)
 05/11/2015

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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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	05/11/2015		P	15,000 A	\$ 3,3893 1,463,943	I	Held by The Jacqueline Simkin Revocable Trust as Amended & Restated 12/16/03 (2)
Common Stock					325,500	I	Held by The LTS #2 Grantor

								Retained Annuity Trust dtd 11/18/11 ⁽³⁾
Common Stock					181,000	I		Held by The Jacqueline Simkin Charitable Remainder Unitrust dtd 09/06/2002 ⁽⁴⁾
8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock					8,000 ⁽⁵⁾	I		Held by The Jacqueline Simkin Revocable Trust as Amended & Restated 12/16/03 ⁽²⁾

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 Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

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

05/12/2015

__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).

The price reported represents the weighted average price per share. These securities were purchased in multiple open market transactions
(1) at prices ranging from \$3.36 to \$3.41. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide the staff of the SEC, the issuer, or a shareholder of the issuer, upon request, the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range listed above.

(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.

The 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock is convertible into common stock at a non-fixed conversion rate in
(5) 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.

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