FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Zyskind Barry D     |  |  |  |         |                 | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  Maiden Holdings, Ltd. [ MHLD ] |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  | 5. Relationshi<br>(Check all app<br>X Direct                |   | olicable)   | .,  | to Issuer<br>% Owner               |  |
|---|--|--|--|---------|-----------------|--|--|--|------|--------|--------|---|----------------------|--|---|---|---|---|------------------------------------|--|
|   | O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.   |  |  |         |                 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/02/2008                        |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  |   | Offic<br>below  | er (give title<br>v)  |   | ner (specify<br>ow)                |  |
| 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR                                     |  |  |  |         | 4. If           | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                           |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |   |   |   |                                    |  |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10038                                    |  |  |  |         |                 |  |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      | X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |   |   |                                    |  |
| (City)  | (S   | tate) (                                    | Zip)   |         |                 |  |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  |   |   |   |   |                                    |  |
|   | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |  |         |                 |  |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  |   |   |   |   |                                    |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |  |  |  |         | Execution Date, |  |  | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) |      |        |        |   | 4 and Secui<br>Benet |  | cially<br>d Following                                       | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect   |   |                                    |  |
|   |  |  |  |         |                 |  |  |  | Code | v      | Amount |   | (A) or<br>(D)        | Price  | Trans   |   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |   | (msu. 4)                           |  |
| Common Stock 12/02/2  |  |  |  |         | 2/2008          |  |  |  |      |        | 1,500  |   | A                    | \$3.644  |   | 2,671,500   |   | D   |                                    |  |
| Common Stock 12/04/2  |  |  |  |         | 1/2008          |  |  |  |      |        | 20,000 |   | A                    | \$3.8  |   | 2,691,500   |   | D   |                                    |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |         |                 |  |  |  |      |        |        |   |                      |  |   |   |   |   |                                    |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Da | n Date, |                 | ansaction de (Instr.   |  | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)             |      | on Dai |        | Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                      | ount<br>nber   | nt<br>er  |   | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Owners<br>Form:<br>Direct (I<br>or Indire<br>(I) (Instr | Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4) |  |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

12/04/2008 /s/ Barry D. Zyskind

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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