FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)										
Name and Address of Reporting Person - PODELL JEFFREY	Trading	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS]					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X_Director			
(Last) (First) (Middle 173 DORAL COURT	(Month	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/24/2010								
(Street) ROSLYN, NY 11576		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Individual or Joint/Group Filling(Check Applicable Line) X. Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						eneficially			
of Date Exec Security (Month/Day/Year) if any	eemed ution Date, h/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		or (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code	٧	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,	Code		5. Number of Deriva Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	tive s (A) sed	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership	
				Code	V	(A)		Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.11 ⁽¹⁾	09/24/2010		А		20,000		09/24/2011	09/24/2020	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 0	20,000	D		

Reporting Owners

Departing Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PODELL JEFFREY 173 DORAL COURT ROSLYN, NY 11576	Х						

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey Podell	09/27/2010
-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) Represents the closing price of the issuer's common stock on September 24, 2010, the date that the reporting person was re-elected as a director of the issuer.

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