

# FORM 3

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or  
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * giovanniello joseph	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2013	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS]	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICE, 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD.		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Senior Vice President</b>	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street) MIAMI, FL 33137			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned</b>		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	60,351	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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/26/2005	05/25/2014	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 1.01	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	08/18/2006	08/17/2015	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 0.58	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/03/2009	06/02/2018	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 2.3	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/14/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/14/2020	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 0.9	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/02/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/02/2021	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 1.28	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/31/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/31/2022	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 2.8	D	

Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/28/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/28/2023	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 1.4	D	
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
giovanniello joseph C/O LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICE 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD. MIAMI, FL 33137			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Joseph Giovanniello	01/30/2013
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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).

The option will vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the exercisable date shown (the first anniversary of the grant date) (1) provided that the reporting person is then still an employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, subject to earlier vesting upon his death or disability or a change of control of the Company.

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