## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|---|--------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--|--------------------|--|----------------|--|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person CENSON BRIAN S  |   |                          |  | 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)  _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |  |   |   |                                    |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 6000 ISLAND BLVD.               |   |                          |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2019                                  |   |                                  |                                |               |  |                    | ar)  |                |  |  |   |   |                                    |
| (Street)  |   |                          |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)   |   |                                  |                                |               |  |                    | Year)  | _X_            | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |   |   |                                    |
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| (Cit  | y)  | (State)                  | (Zip)                                    |  |   |                                  | Table                          | I - No        | n-Der  | ivative            | Securitie  | s Acquired     | l, Disposed  | of, or Benef   | icially Own   | ed  |                                    |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)                       |   |                          | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                                  |   | (Instr. 8)                       |                                |               | 4. Securities Acqu<br>(A) or Disposed o<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                    |  |                |  |  | Form:<br>Direct (D)                                       | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |                                    |
|   |   |                          |  |  |   |                                  | Co                             | ode           | V  | Amount             | (A) or (D)   | Price          |  |  |   | (I)<br>(Instr. 4)                                   | (Instr. 4)                         |
| Common Stock  |   |                          | 05/16/2019                               | /16/2019   |   |                                  | N                              | М             |  | 20,000             | A  | \$<br>0.73     | 170,000  |  |   | D   |                                    |
| Common Stock  |   | 05/16/2019               |  |  |   | F                                | (1)                            |               | 4,398  | D                  | \$<br>3.32 16  | 55,602         |  |  | D   |   |                                    |
| Common Stock  |   |                          |  |  |   |                                  |                                |               |  |                    | 10   | ),000          |  |  | I   | By<br>Genson<br>Capital<br>LLC (2)                  |                                    |
| 8.00% Series A Cumulative<br>Redeemable Preferred Stock |   |                          |  |  |   |                                  |                                |               |  |                    |  | 2,0            | 000 (3)  |  |   | I   | By<br>Genson<br>Capital<br>LLC (2) |
| Reminder:   | Report on a s   | separate line for each   |  |  |   |                                  |                                | P<br>ir<br>a  | Persor<br>n this<br>curre                                      | form a<br>ently va | re not re<br>Ilid OMB  |                | respond (<br>number.   | f informati<br>unless the  |   |   | C 1474 (9-02)                      |
|   | 1   |                          |  | (e.g., p   |   | calls, wa                        | arrant                         | s, opti       | ions, c  | onvertib           | le securi  | ties)          |  |  |   | . 1   |                                    |
|   | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | 4. 5. Numl of Deriv Code Securiti (Instr. 8) Acquire or Dispo of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)        |   | vative<br>ies<br>ed (A)<br>oosed | vative es (Month/Da d (A) osed |               |  |                    | 7. Title and Amount<br>of Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | Owner<br>Form of<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>Direct<br>or Indi | tive Ownersh<br>ty: (Instr. 4)<br>rect              |                                    |
|   |   |                          |  | Code   | V | (A)                              | (D)                            | Date<br>Exerc | cisable  | Expi<br>Date       | ration   | Title          | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares   |  | (Instr. 4)  | (Instr.   | 4)                                 |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right<br>to Buy)                    | \$ 0.73   | 05/16/2019               |  | М  |   | 20                               | 0,000                          | 08/2          | 27/201   | 0 08/2             | 27/2019  | Commo<br>Stock | 1/0/000  | \$ 0   | 0   | D   |                                    |

### **Reporting Owners**

|   | Relationships |              |         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name /<br>Address                         | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| GENSON BRIAN S<br>6000 ISLAND BLVD.<br>AVENTURA, FL 33160 | X             |              |         |       |  |  |  |

#### **Signatures**

| /s/ Brian S. Genson             | 05/17/2019 |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| **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 shares withheld to cover the exercise price of the options exercised.
- (2) The reporting person is the managing member of Genson Capital LLC.
- (3) 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.

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