#### MINICUCCI ROBERT A

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MINICUCCI ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2012

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE

(Street)

700

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 3, 4 au (Instr. 8)			(D)	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)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(1115ti. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/07/2012		S	2,786	D	\$ 142.889 (1)	118,492	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2012		M	3,724	A	\$ 41.77	122,216	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2012		S	3,724	D	\$ 143.287 (2)	118,492	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2012		M	3,547	A	\$ 36.88	122,039	D	

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Common Stock	12/07/2012	S	3,547	D	\$ 143.229 (3)	118,492	D
Common Stock	12/07/2012	M	6,208	A	\$ 24.03	124,700	D
Common Stock	12/07/2012	S	6,208	D	\$ 143.34 (4)	118,492	D
Common Stock	12/07/2012	M	2,512	A	\$ 53.54	121,004	D
Common Stock	12/07/2012	S	2,512	D	\$ 143.066 (5)	118,492 (6)	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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.77	12/07/2012		M	3,724	<u>(7)</u>	07/01/2014	Common Stock	3,724
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.88	12/07/2012		M	3,547	<u>(7)</u>	06/10/2015	Common Stock	3,547
Employee Stock Option	\$ 24.03	12/07/2012		M	6,208	<u>(7)</u>	06/23/2013	Common Stock	6,208

(Right to Buy)

Employee

(Right to Buy)

Stock

Option \$ 53.54 12/07/2012

M 2,512

<u>(7)</u> 06/12/2016

Common

Stock 2,512

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MINICUCCI ROBERT A 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024

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**Signatures** 

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact

12/10/2012

\*\*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 in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$142.85 to \$142.90 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Alliance Data Systems Corporation, any security holder of Alliance Data Systems Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) to this Form 4.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$143.28 to \$143.30, inclusive.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$143.22 to \$143.28, inclusive.
- (4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$143.26 to \$143.47, inclusive.
- (5) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$142.97 to \$143.14, inclusive.
- The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 102,723 unrestricted shares; (b) 2,388 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (c) 3,452 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (d) 4,404 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/10; (e) 3,246 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; and (f) 2,279 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12.
- (7) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

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