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December 10, 2009 FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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							OMB	PPROVAL 3235-0287				
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ZEITCHICK MARK S			Symbol LADEN	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)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date o (Month/I 4400 BISCAYNE 12/09/2 BOULEVARD, 12TH FLOOR				-	ansaction			X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President				
	(Street)			ndment, Da hth/Day/Year	-			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 Form filed by N	One Reporting P	erson		
MIAMI, FL		(7:-)						Person				
(City)(State)(Zip)1.Title of Security2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deeme Execution 1 any (Month/Da(Instr. 3)any (Month/Da			ned n Date, if	3. Transactio Code	4. Securiti n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	es Ac posed	quired of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	of, or Beneficially Owned6.7. Nature ofOwnershipIndirectForm: DirectBeneficial(D) orOwnershipIndirect (I)(Instr. 4)(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	12/09/2009			P	50,000		¢	1,722,900	Ι	Held by MZ Trading LLC, of which Mr. Zeitchick is the sole managing member		

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

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Secur (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships							
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ZEITCHICK MARK 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEV 12TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137	/ARD	Х		Executive Vice President					
Signatures									
/s/ Mark Zeitchick	12/09/2009								
<u>**</u> Signature of	Date	e							

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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