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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement AMERISAFE INC [AMSF] **Â** Shirley Kathryn Housh (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2301 HIGHWAY 190 WEST (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) DERIDDER, LAÂ 70634 Form filed by More than One EVP, General Counsel Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock, par value \$0.01 $13,772 \frac{(1)}{2}$ Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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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)	•		Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Shirley Kathryn Housh			EVP,			
2301 HIGHWAY 190 WEST	Â	Â	General	Â		
DERIDDER, LA 70634			Counsel			

Signatures

/s/Kathryn H.
Shirley

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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2,958 restricted shares were awarded May 29, 2012 that ratably vest over five years. 10,000 restricted shares will vest in five annual (1) installments on a graduated basis of 10%, 15%, 20%, 25% and 30% beginning March 1, 2017, the first anniversary of the grant date. 814 restricted shares will fully vest on March 1, 2019.

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