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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Walker Todd Richard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

AMERISAFE INC [AMSF]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 2301 HIGHWAY 190 WEST 09/25/2006

X_ Officer (give title below)

Executive VP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

DERIDDER, LA 70634

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.98	09/25/2006		A		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	09/25/2016	Common stock, per share par value \$.01.	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Walker Todd Richard 2301 HIGHWAY 190 WEST DERIDDER, LA 70634

Executive VP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Dayna M. Edwards, signing for Todd Walker, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary.

09/26/2006

**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) The options vest in five equal installments on September 25, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011.

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