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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STILWELL JOSEPH (Last) (First) (Middle) 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR (Street) NEW YORK NY 10006 (City) (State) (Zip) | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [KFS] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | |
| | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/25/2017 | | | |
| | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 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 | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/25/2017 | | P | | 2,500 | A | \$5.9581 | 3,935,723 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, the following individual and entities directly own shares of common stock as follows: Joseph Stilwell, 162,500 shares; Stilwell Value Partners III, L.P., 60,000 shares; Stilwell Value Partners IV, L.P., 0 shares; Stilwell Associates, L.P., 903,066 shares; Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P., 309,117 shares; and Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P., 2,501,040 shares; Stilwell Associates Insurance Fund of the SALI Multi-Series Fund L.P., 0 shares; The aggregate shares are owned indirectly by Joseph Stilwell and all listed entities, other than Stilwell Associates Insurance Fund of the SALI Multi-Series Fund L.P., through Joseph Stilwell's capacity as the managing member and 99% owner of Stilwell Value LLC, which is the general partner of Stilwell Value Partners III, L.P., Stilwell Value Partners IV, L.P., Stilwell Associates L.P., Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P., and Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P.

Pilar Torres by Power of Attorney 09/26/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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