

DiSipio Christopher N.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 DiSipio Christopher N.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
 [AXS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O AXIS, 1 UNIVERSITY SQUARE DRIVE, SUITE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/04/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 CEO, AXIS Accident & Health

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. I
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Sec (In		
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/04/2013	A	25,000		(2)	(2)	Common Shares	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DiSipio Christopher N.
C/O AXIS
1 UNIVERSITY SQUARE DRIVE, SUITE 200
PRINCETON, NJ 08540

CEO, AXIS
Accident &
Health

Signatures

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr., 02/06/2013
Attorney-in-Fact

 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) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one common share or the cash equivalent thereof.
- (2) The restricted stock units will vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 4, 2014.

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