

ANDERSON BRUCE K  
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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 \*  
ANDERSON BRUCE K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O WELSH, CARSON,  
ANDERSON & STOWE, 320 PARK  
AVENUE, SUITE 2500

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/05/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 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 Price (D)		
Common Stock	09/05/2012		M		1,800 A \$ 53.54	856,739	D
Common Stock	09/05/2012		S		1,800 D \$ 138.44	854,939	D
Common Stock	09/05/2012		M		2,947 A \$ 36.88	857,886	D
Common Stock	09/05/2012		S		2,947 D \$ 138.51	854,939	D

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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 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.54	09/05/2012		M	1,800	<sup>(1)</sup> 06/12/2016	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.88	09/05/2012		M	2,947	<sup>(2)</sup> 06/10/2015	Common Stock	2,947

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ANDERSON BRUCE K C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON & STOWE 320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 NEW YORK, NY 10022	X			

## Signatures

David Mintz,  
Attorney-in-Fact

09/07/2012

\*\*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 option for 2,512 shares vested as follows: 1,256 shares on 6/12/07 and 1,256 shares on 6/12/08.

(2) The option for 3,547 shares vested as follows: 1,170 shares on 6/10/06, and 1,171 shares on 6/10/07 and 1,206 shares on 6/10/08.

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