#### STILWELL JOSEPH

Form 4

December 27, 2017

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

STILWELL JOSEPH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [KFS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/26/2017

3.

111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR (Street)

(Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10006

(City) (State) (Zip)

12/26/2017

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

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) anv (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

or Amount (D) 2,500 P

(1)

(A)

5.05

Price Code V

 $3,935,823^{(2)}$ 

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b></b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STILWELL JOSEPH							
111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR	X	X					
NEW YORK, NY 10006							

# **Signatures**

Pilar Torres by Power of Attorney 12/27/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Da

## **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) This Form 4 reports an acquisition on December 26, 2017, by the following entity: Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P. (SAI) of 2,500 shares of KFS common stock at \$5.05 USD per share.
  - After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, the shares of KFS common stock reported under Column 5 of Table I above are held directly by the following persons or entities: Joseph Stilwell (162,500 shares); Stilwell Associates, L.P. (Associates) (903,066 shares); SAI (2,554,650 shares); and Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P. (SAF) (315,607 shares). Of the total shares of KFS common stock
- (2) reported under Column 5 of Table I above, 3,773,323 shares are beneficially owned indirectly by Joseph Stilwell in his capacity as the managing member and owner of Stilwell Value LLC, which is the general partner of SAI, Associates and SAF. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. The address of SAI, Associates and SAF is the same as the address reported in Item 1 of this Form 4.

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