

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
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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 \*  
**JENSEN KENNETH R**

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)  
 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/12/2012

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

(Street)  
 PLANO, TX 75024

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 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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	09/12/2012		M		3,724	A	\$ 41.77 58,098	D
Common Stock	09/12/2012		F		1,108	D	\$ 140.46 56,990	D
Common Stock	09/12/2012		M		3,547	A	\$ 36.88 60,537	D
Common Stock	09/12/2012		F		931	D	\$ 140.53 59,606	D
Common Stock	09/12/2012		M		6,208	A	\$ 24.03 65,814	D

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Common Stock 09/12/2012 F 1,062 D \$ 140.51 64,752 <sup>(1)</sup> D

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 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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.77	09/12/2012		M	3,724	<sup>(2)</sup> 07/01/2014	Common Stock	3,724
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.88	09/12/2012		M	3,547	<sup>(2)</sup> 06/10/2015	Common Stock	3,547
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.03	09/12/2012		M	6,208	<sup>(2)</sup> 06/23/2013	Common Stock	6,208

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JENSEN KENNETH R  
7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 X  
PLANO, TX 75024

## Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney  
in Fact

09/14/2012

\_\_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).

The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 57,244 unrestricted shares; (b) 2,388 unvested restricted stock units

(1) granted 7/1/08; (c) 1,904 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (d) 1,136 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/10; (e) 1,211 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; and (f) 869 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12.

(2) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

(3) The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes an option for 2,512 shares granted 6/12/06, which is fully vested.

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