ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BENVENISTE LAWRENCE M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 09/21/2012

700

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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)
Common Stock	09/21/2012		M	2,547	A	\$ 36.88	12,573	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2012		S	2,547	D	\$ 142.546 (1)	10,026	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2012		M	2,512	A	\$ 53.54	12,538	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2012		S	2,512	D	\$ 142.506 (2)	10,026 (3)	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.88	09/21/2012		M	2,547	<u>(4)</u>	06/10/2015	Common Stock	2,547
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.54	09/21/2012		M	2,512	<u>(4)</u>	06/12/2016	Common Stock	2,512

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsiips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BENVENISTE LAWRENCE M 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024	X					

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact 09/24/2012

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Date

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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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$142.54 to \$142.55, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Alliance Data Systems Corporation, any security holder of Alliance Data Systems Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$142.44 to \$142.56, inclusive.
- The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 2,388 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/08; (b) 3,333 unvested (3) restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (c) 2,024 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/2010; (d) 1,335 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; and (e) 946 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12.
- (4) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

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