MINICUCCI ROBERT A

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MINICUCCI ROBERT A

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

CORP [ADS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year) 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)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership **Following** or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Common 09/21/2012 S 30,000 D 142.6074 $121,278 \frac{(2)}{}$ D Stock

(1)

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

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MINICUCCI ROBERT A 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 X PLANO, TX 75024

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 09/24/2012 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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$142.25 to \$143.00 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 range set forth herein.
- The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 105,509 unrestricted shares; (b) 2,388 unvested restricted stock units (2) granted 7/1/08; (c) 3,452 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (d) 4,404 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/10; (e) 3,246 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; and (f) 2,279 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12.

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