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SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 5)*

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)
50575Q 10 2
(CUSIP Number)
Phillip Frost, M.D.
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Miami, Florida 33137

Telephone: (305) 575-6511

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

April 27, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 5 to the original Schedule 13D previously filed by Phillip Frost, M.D., Frost Gamma Investments Trust (the Gamma Trust) and Frost-Nevada Investments Trust (the Nevada Trust) (collectively, referred to as the Reporting Persons), with respect to ownership of the Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc., a Florida corporation (Issuer). Unless set forth below, all previous Items are unchanged. Capitalized terms used herein which are not defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Schedule 13D, as amended, previously filed with the SEC.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following:

The source of funds for the acquisition of 2,240,112 shares of Common Stock from the Issuer as described in Item 4 was from working capital of the Gamma Trust.

Item 4. Purpose of Transactions

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended to add the following:

On April 27, 2006, the Gamma Trust purchased 2,420,112 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer in a private placement for \$1,089,050.40 in cash, or \$0.45 per share.

Except as set forth in this Item 4, none of the Reporting Persons has any present plans or proposals which relate or would result in any of the matters set forth in paragraphs (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

(a) - (b) Each of the Reporting Persons is the beneficial owner of 47,417,909 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. This amount represents (i) 43,013,431 shares of Common Stock held by the Nevada Trust, (ii) 40,000 shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of currently exercisable options held by Dr. Frost, (iii) 4,264,478 shares of Common Stock held by the Gamma Trust and (iv) 100,000 shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Frost Warrant held by the Gamma Trust. Each of the Reporting Persons is the beneficial owner of approximately 24.52% of the Issuer s Common Stock. The percentage of beneficial ownership is based upon 150,218,934 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of April 27, 2006, and assumes the exercise of the Frost Warrant and the options held by Dr. Frost.

The securities discussed above are owned of record by one or more of such Reporting Persons. As the sole trustee of the Gamma Trust and the Nevada Trust, Dr. Frost may be deemed the beneficial owner of all shares owned by the Gamma Trust and the Nevada Trust, respectively, by virtue of his power to vote or direct the vote of such shares or to dispose or direct the disposition of such shares owned by such trusts. Accordingly, solely for purposes of reporting beneficial ownership of such shares pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each of the Reporting

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Persons will be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the shares held by any other Reporting Person. Except as described herein, none of the Reporting Persons has engaged in any transaction involving any of the securities of the Issuer during the past sixty days.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: May 5, 2006

/s/ Phillip Frost Phillip Frost, M.D.

FROST-NEVADA INVESTMENTS TRUST

By: /s/ Phillip Frost, M.D. Phillip Frost, M.D., Trustee

FROST GAMMA INVESTMENTS TRUST

By: /s/ Phillip Frost, M.D. Phillip Frost, Trustee