FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Addre	ess of Reporting Pers Gerald John	son*	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2013	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12 CROW LANE			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below)		10% Owner Other (specify	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) HAMILTON (City)	D0 (State)	HM19 (Zip)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion or Exercise	Form: Direct (D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Price of Derivative Security Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

The Reporting Person was appointed to the Issuer's Board of Directors effective as of May 14, 2013. Consistent with the Issuer's director compensation program, the Issuer's Board of Directors has ratified the issuance to the Reporting Person of the annual restricted stock grant awarded to directors. In accordance with the Issuer's policies, the restricted stock grant to the Reporting Person will be made on the third business day following the release date of the Issuer's financial results for the second fiscal quarter of 2013. The equity award will vest ratably over a three year period on the anniversary date of the Reporting Person's appointment to the Issuer's Board of Directors.

No securities are beneficially owned.

/S/ Stephen H. Weinstein, Attorney-in-Fact 05/23/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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