

COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC.

Form 4

December 10, 2014

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ACE BRIAN R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM,
INC. [CBU]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/08/2014

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

R.R. #1, BOX 1550

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

LACEYVILLE, PA 18623

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/08/2014		M		3,604	A	\$ 24.84
Common Stock	12/08/2014		F		2,355	D	\$ 38.03
Common Stock							16,957
Common Stock							121

By
Laceyville
Hardware
Sep

By Spouse

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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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 24.84	12/08/2014		M	3,604	01/19/2005 01/19/2015	Common Stock
Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)	(1)					(1) (1)	Common Stock 27,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ACE BRIAN R R.R. #1, BOX 1550 LACEYVILLE, PA 18623	X

Signatures

/s/ Danielle M. Cima, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Brian R. Ace

12/10/2014

__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).

Each unit of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Community Bank System, Inc. common stock. The units of

(1) phantom stock relating to the Deferred Compensation Plan will be settled in Community Bank System, Inc. common stock at future dates selected by the reporting person.

(2) Includes 186.6575, 197.3401, 209.0647, and 240.7929 units of phantom stock acquired on January 10, 2014, April 10, 2014, July 10, 2014, and October 10, 2014, respectively, under the Deferred Compensation Plan's dividend reinvestment feature.

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