

COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC.

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Fesette Neil E.

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)  
 105 SUNRISE DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/18/2015

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

PLATTSBURGH, NY 12901

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)			
				Code V Amount	Price		
Common Stock					101.784 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount of Shares
Phantom Stock (Deferred Stock Units)	(2)	03/18/2015		A	850	(2) (2)	Common Stock	8
Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)	(3)	03/19/2015		A	223.5915	(3) (3)	Common Stock	223

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Fesette Neil E. 105 SUNRISE DRIVE PLATTSBURGH, NY 12901	X

## Signatures

/s/ Danielle M. Cima, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Neil E. Fesette

03/19/2015

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).

(1) Includes 0.73, 0.775, 0.887 and 0.837 shares acquired on April 10, 2014, July 10, 2014, October 10, 2014, and January 9, 2015, respectively, pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

The reporting person has received deferred stock units under the Community Bank System, Inc. 2014 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each phantom stock unit which represents a deferred stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Community Bank System, Inc. common stock and will be settled in common stock at a predetermined date.

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

(4) Includes 57.6277 units of phantom stock acquired on January 9, 2015 under the Deferred Compensation Plan's dividend reinvestment feature.

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