STICKELS ERIC

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type	Responses)											
STICKELS ERIC Sy				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC. [CBU]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
C/O COMM SYSTEM, I WIDEWAT	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/20/2019					X Director Officer (g below)		0% Owner Other (specify				
(Street) 4. If Ame				endment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
DEWITT, I	NY 13214 (State)	· ·	nth/Day/Year le I - Non-I	ŕ	Secu	rities A	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or				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)		
Common Stock	03/20/2019			Code V $J_{(1)}$	Amount 1,730	(D)	Price \$ 0	0	I	By Wife		
Common Stock	03/20/2019			<u>J(1)</u>	1,730	A	\$0	40,663.9276	D			

By Wife's Community

Common Stock

8,470.5038 (2) I

Bank System, Inc. 401(k)

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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. 5. Number Transactionof Code Derivative (Instr. 8) 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock (Deferred Stock Units)	(3)	03/20/2019		A	576	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	576	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STICKELS ERIC C/O COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC. 5790 WIDEWATERS PARKWAY DEWITT, NY 13214



Signatures

Danielle M. Cima, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Eric E. Stickels

03/20/2019

**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) Shares transferred to the reporting person's joint account with his wife.
- (2) The number of share reported herein were acquired pursuant to Community Bank System, Inc.'s 401(K) Plan and are based on a current plan statement.

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- 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.
- (4) Includes 20.4873 units of phantom stock acquired as dividend equivalents under the 2014 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Program Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.