

Bolus Mark J.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bolus Mark J.

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)
07/22/2010

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

R.R. #1, BOX 412A
(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

DALTON, PA 18414
(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 45,732.4726 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,050.99 ⁽²⁾ | I | By Mark Bolus Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | 154.9528 ⁽³⁾ | I | By daughter, Taylor Bolus |
| Common Stock | | | | | 154.9528 ⁽³⁾ | I | By daughter, |

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 436.163 shares acquired on July 9, 2010 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan and 400 shares held by the reporting person in his IRA.
- (2) Includes 50.99 shares acquired on July 9, 2010 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Includes 1.5441 shares acquired on July 9, 2010 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
Each unit of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Community Bank System, Inc. common stock. The units of
- (4) 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.
- (5) Includes 6.7319 units of phantom stock acquired on July 9, 2010 under the Deferred Compensation Plan's dividend reinvestment feature.

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