WHITTET ALFRED S

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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(State)

WHITTET ALFRED S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM INC [CBU]

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

5085 HARMONY CIRCLE, UNIT # 05/27/2011

301

(Last)

(City)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

VERO BEACH, FL 32967

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

3.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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)

2. 1. Title of Derivative Security Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities

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(1110111 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(msu. 5 und	.,	
				Code '	V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)	<u>(1)</u>	05/27/2011		A	60.8519		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	60.83

Code

Securities

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reporting Owners

or Exercise

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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5085 HARMONY CIRCLE
UNIT # 301

VERO BEACH, FL 32967

Signatures

(Instr. 3)

/s/ Donna J. Drengel, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Alfred S. Whittet

06/01/2011

**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 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.

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