#### COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC.

Form 4

March 16, 2017

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MICHAEL R KALLET Issuer Symbol COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, (Check all applicable) INC. [CBU] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O COMMUNITY BANK 03/15/2017 SYSTEM, INC., 5790 WIDEWATERS PARKWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DEWITT, NY 13214** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 3. 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 21,603 D Stock Common 8,759 Ι By Wife Stock By Community Common 66,802,639 Bank I Stock (1) System, Inc. 401(k) Plan

(2)

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Common Stock	5,606	I	By Trust under Will				
Common Stock	1,988	I	By IRA				
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.							

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		curities quired or sposed (D) str. 3, 4,		7. Title and 2. Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	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)	03/15/2017		A	553	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	553	\$ 0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MICHAEL R KALLET					
C/O COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC.	X				
5790 WIDEWATERS PARKWAY	Λ				
DEWITT, NY 13214					

# **Signatures**

Danielle M. Cima, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Michael R. 03/16/2017 Kallet \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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 6,208.0662 shares acquired pursuant to the 401(k) Plan's dividend reinvestment feature.
- (2) The Oneida Financial Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and the Oneida Financial Corp. 401(k) Plan were merged with the Community Bank System, Inc. 401(k) 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.

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