#### DICERBO NICHOLAS A

Form 4

September 03, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

DICERBO NICHOLAS A				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM INC [CBU]				C	Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2835 WEST RIVER ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2009					X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
(Street) OLEAN, NY 14760				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acq	quired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/D		n Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (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)		
	Common Stock	09/01/2009			P	1,000	A	\$ 17.33	94,740.8444	D		
	Common Stock	09/02/2009			P	1,000	A	\$ 17.25	95,740.8444	D		
	Common Stock	09/02/2009			P	1,000	A	\$ 17	96,740.8444	D		
	Common Stock								104,337.8256	I	By Law Firm (Partner)	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Partner)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Exercisable	Date				
				C 1 W	(A) (D)			of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DICERBO NICHOLAS A 2835 WEST RIVER ROAD X OLEAN, NY 14760

## **Signatures**

/s/ Donna J. Drengel, as attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a power of attorney for Nicholas A. DiCerbo

09/03/2009

\*\*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).

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