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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

DONAHUE BRIAN D			Symbol COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM INC [CBU]					Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  229 CAROLINA STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2012					Director 10% Owner Specify below) Banking Officer			
OLEAN, N	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	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	nsaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution I any (Month/Day		Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	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	06/29/2012			Code V M	Amount 5,898	(D)	Price \$ 15.675	32,083	D		
Common Stock	06/29/2012			S	5,898	D	\$ 27.0064	26,185	D		
Common Stock								6,089.2959 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan	

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)

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)	5. Number of Derivative 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 I S (
Stools				Code V	ŕ	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 15.675	06/29/2012		M	5,898	01/01/2004	01/01/2013	Common Stock	5,898	

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DONAHUE BRIAN D 229 CAROLINA STREET OLEAN, NY 14760

Chief Banking Officer

### **Signatures**

/s/ Donna J. Drengel, as attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a power of attorney for Brian D. Donahue

07/03/2012

\*\*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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$26.97 to \$27.03, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Community Bank System, Inc., any security holder of Community Bank System, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The number of shares reported herein is based on a current plan statement.

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