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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HIRSCHEY LEE T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM INC [CBU]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

300 CHIPPEWA POINT ROAD

12/20/2006

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

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HAMMOND, NY 13346

Common

Stock

(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)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/20/2006		M	6,712	A	\$ 17.4063	19,396	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2006		S	6,712	D	\$ 23.3502	12,684	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2006		M	28,300	A	\$ 17.4063	40,984	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2006		S	28,300	D	\$ 23.0681	12,684	D	

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 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Common} \\ \text{Stock} \end{array} \hspace*{-5pt} \begin{array}{c} \text{Trustee,} \\ \text{Climax} \\ \text{Manufacturing} \\ \text{Company,} \\ \text{Employee} \\ \text{Retirement} \\ \text{Plan} \end{array}$

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	ransactionDerivative ode Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 17.4063	12/20/2006		M		6,712	05/13/1998	12/31/2007	Common Stock	6,712
Stock Option	\$ 17.4063	12/21/2006		M		28,300	05/13/1998	12/31/2007	Common Stock	28,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HIRSCHEY LEE T 300 CHIPPEWA POINT ROAD HAMMOND, NY 13346	X						

Signatures

Donna J. Drengel, as attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a power of attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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