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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

P. O. BOX 2506

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Watson Patricia A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC

[TSS]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Senior EVP and CIO

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)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

> (D) (Instr. 3, 4,

and 5)

Code V

(A)

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title

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Employee

Stock **Options**

\$87.08 02/16/2018

27,565 A

02/16/2019(1) 02/15/2028

Common Stock

(right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Watson Patricia A P.O. BOX 2506

COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506

Senior EVP and CIO

Signatures

Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact

02/20/2018

**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).
- (1) These options vest in three equal annual installments on February 16, 2019, February 16, 2020 and February 16, 2021.

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