

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC
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FORM 5

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SAMPSON CURTIS A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC [JCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2010

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

PO BOX 777, S MAIN ST

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

HECTOR, MN 55342

(City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 1,071.079 | D | ^ |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 7,000 | I | see footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 41,355 | I | see footnote (2) |

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. Transaction 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 11.82 | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/18/2010 05/18/2020 | Common Stock 3,000 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 9.73 | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/21/2009 05/21/2019 | Common Stock 3,000 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 11.41 | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/21/2008 05/21/2018 | Common Stock 3,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SAMPSON CURTIS A PO BOX 777 S MAIN ST HECTOR, MN 55342 | Â X | Â X | Â | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Curtis A. Sampson
Date: 01/11/2011

**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) Shares held in a 1989 irrevocable trust
- (2) Shares held in the Communications Systems Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (CSI ESOP). Mr. Sampson is a trustee of the CSI ESOP and disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares of the issuer held by the CSI ESOP in excess of the shares allocated to his individual CSI ESOP account, which total 41,355 shares.

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Remarks:

Mr. Sampson disclaims any beneficial ownership of the shares of the Issuer owned by his spouse

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