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TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC Form 4 February 02, 2010 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GRIFFITH G SANDERS III** Issuer Symbol TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC (Check all applicable) [TSS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) P. O. BOX 2506 02/01/2010 Sr. EVP, Gen. Counsel, Sec. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common S F⁽¹⁾ 02/01/2010 303 (1) D 171,726 (2) D 14.31 Stock Common I 1,683 By Spouse Stock

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	 6. Date Expiration of (Month/Da 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) 		ate	7. Tit Amou Unde Secur (Instr	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GRIFFITH G SANDERS III P. O. BOX 2506 COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506			Sr. EVP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.					
Signatures								
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Date

Garilou Page, 02/02/2010 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Upon the vesting of shares of restricted stock previously awarded to the reporting person, the company withheld these shares to satisfy

(1) the reporting person's tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the shares. No shares were sold by the reporting person or by the company.

(2) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment and through exempt purchases in the company's employee stock purchase plan.

Remarks:

The reporting person no longer has a reportable interest in the shares of common stock owned by his son and previously include

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