

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC

CIK: **721683** | IRS No.: **581493818** | State of Incorpor.: **GA** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **7389** Business services, nec

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REPORTING OWNER

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Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-10254** | Film No.: **13542747**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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 GRIFFITH G SANDERS III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC [TSS]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Sr. EVP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2013		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person	
P. O. BOX 2506			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506						
(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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/16/2013		A		41,195	A	\$ 0	211,569 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2013		F ⁽¹⁾		13,916	D	\$23.73	197,653	D	
Common Stock								1,683	I	By Spouse

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Upon the vesting of performance shares awarded to the reporting person, the company withheld these shares to satisfy 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 since the reporting person's last Form 4 report.

Signatures

Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/23/2013

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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