

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
 FORM 4
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 Obligations may continue.
 See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person:
 SAMPSON, CURTIS A.
 50 PARKVIEW LANE
 HECTOR, MN 55342
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, INC.
 JCS
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 JANUARY, 2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all Applicable):
 Director
 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below)
 Other (specify below)
 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
7. Individual of Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by more than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security 7. Nature of	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Ownership Form: (D) or Indirect
Direct Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership					

		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
<S> <S> Common Stock	<C> 1/27/2003	<S> P		300	A	8.00	<C> 1,149,317 24,138.579
ESOP*	1/27/2003	P		300	A	8.00	I 16,323

Spouse**
 *Acquired pursuant to Communications Systems, Inc. Employee Stock
 Ownership Plan and Trust
 **Includes 2,225 shares in USBank Piper Jaffray IRA

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 10. Ownership	2. Conver- 11. Nature of	3. Trans- action	4. Trans- action	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercis-	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of	9. Number of Derivative	Form of
Indirect Derivative Securities	Exercise Beneficial Price of Ownership Deriv-	Date	Code	Securities Acquired (A) or	able and Expira-	Underlying Securities	Deriva tive	Securities Beneficially	Owned at

Beneficially	ative	Disposed	Date	End of	Owned
at	Security	of (D)		Month	End of
					Month

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				Exer- Expir	or
				cis- ation	Number
				able Date	of
Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Shares

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Common	N/A
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Explanation of Responses:

Signature of Reporting Person
/s/ CURTIS A. SAMPSON

Date
JANUARY 30, 2003