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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Blackwood Bruce C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC [JCS]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner							
1001 E H	HWY 212	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  03/31/2017  X_Officer (give title below)  GM  Other (specify below)														
HECTO	R, MN 553	(Street)		4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(Cir	ty)	(State)	(Zip)				Tab	ole I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Securities	s Acqu	uired, D	isposed o	f, or Benefi	cially Owned		
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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	e	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (Right- to-Buy)	\$ 4.40	03/31/2017		A		22,500		03/31	/2018 <sup>©</sup>	2) 03	/31/2024	4 I	mmon tock	22,500	\$ 0	22,500	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

D 4 0 V 1	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Blackwood Bruce C 1001 E HWY 212 HECTOR, MN 55342			GM				

## **Signatures**

Suzette McNally, Attorney-in-Fact for Bruce C. Blaackwood	04/04/2017		
**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) Reflects all Employee Stock Purchase Plan and ESOP issuances through March 31, 2017.
- (2) Option vests as to 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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