GRIFFITH G SANDERS III

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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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 * **GRIFFITH G SANDERS III**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

P. O. BOX 2506

(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018

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below) Sr. EVP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)
Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration

Expiration Title

Date

Employee

stock options

\$ 87.08 02/16/2018

A 23,217

02/16/2019(1) 02/15/2028

Common Stock 23,2

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or Numb of Sha

(right to buy)

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

Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) These options vest in three equal annual installments on February 16, 2019, February 16, 2020 and February 16, 2021.

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