#### TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC

Form 4

January 31, 2011

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

| PRUETT WILLIAM A                     |                                      |                 | Symbol TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC [TSS] |  |  |                                |                | Issuer (Check all applicable)   |  |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--------------------------------|----------------|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) P. O. BOX                     | (Mo                                  |                 |  | f Earliest Ti<br>Day/Year)<br>011        | ransaction                                 |                                |                | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. EVP  |  |   |  |
| Filed(Mo.                            |                                      |                 |  | endment, Date Original<br>onth/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 |  |   |  |
| COLUMBU                              | JS, GA 31902-2                       | 506             |  |  |  |                                |                | Person  | Tore than one re-  | porung  |  |
| (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip)           | Tabl                                   | le I - Non-I                             | Perivative S                               | Securi                         | ties Acqu      | uired, Disposed of  | f, or Beneficial   | ly Owned  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Da<br>(Month/Day/Year | ) Execution any | med<br>on Date, if<br>Day/Year)        | Code<br>(Instr. 8)                       | 4. Securit<br>or(A) or Dis<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | sposed<br>4 and 5<br>(A)<br>or | of (D)<br>5)   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                      | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/28/2011                           |                 |  | Code V<br>M                              | Amount 27,688                              | (D)                            | Price \$ 13.11 | 247,922   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 01/28/2011                           |                 |  | S  | 27,688                                     | D                              | \$<br>17.82    | 220,234   | D  |   |  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable               | Expiration Date  | Title           | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of Sha                              |  |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)    | \$ 13.11  | 01/28/2011                              |   | M                                      | 27,68   | 8 02/03/2010 <u>(2)</u>        | 02/02/2019   | Common<br>Stock | 27,6  |  |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PRUETT WILLIAM A P. O. BOX 2506 COLUMBUS, GA 31902-2506

Sr. EVP

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**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).
- The price reported in Column 4 of Table I is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$17.53 to \$17.93, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The option, representing the right to purchase a total of 83,805 shares, vests in three equal annual installments of one-third each on February 3, 2010, February 3, 2011 and February 3, 2012.

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