Nentwig Gary D Form 3				
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Nentwig Gary D	2. Date of Event RequiringStatement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC [JCS]			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	01/19/2005	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
PO BOX 777 (Street)		(Check	all applicable))	6. Individual or Joint/Group
HECTOR, MN 55342		Director X Officer (give title below Pres & GM	Other	ow)	Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	ies Be	neficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	1
Common Stock	378		D	Â	
Common Stock	777.638		Ι	*ESO	OP (1)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Incentive Stock Option	09/01/2002	05/01/2006	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 8.29	D	Â
Incentive Stock Option	09/07/2003	03/07/2008	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 7.14	D	Â
Incentive Stock Option	09/15/2004	03/15/2009	Common Stock	8,100	\$ 8.65	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Nentwig Gary D PO BOX 777 HECTOR, MN 55342	Â	Â	Pres & GM MiLAN Division	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Gary D. Nentwig <u>**Signature of Reporting Person</u> 01/19/2005

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) Acquired pursuant to Communications Systems, Inc Employee Stock Ownership Plan & Trust

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