

PAYNE JOHN GORDON
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 PAYNE JOHN GORDON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CITRIX SYSTEMS INC [CTXS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O CITRIX SYSTEMS, INC., 851 WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/29/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Desktop Division

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2011 | | F | 539 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 82.56 | 50,752 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2011 | | F | 701 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 82.56 | 50,051 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 19,561 | I | The 2007 John G. Payne Family Trust u/d/t March 29, 2007 ⁽²⁾ |

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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 (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 84.34 | 04/29/2011 | | A | 20,000 | 04/29/2012 ⁽³⁾ 04/29/2016 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| PAYNE JOHN GORDON C/O CITRIX SYSTEMS, INC. 851 WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309 | | | SVP, Desktop Division | |

Signatures

/s/Antonio G. Gomes, Attorney-in-Fact for John Gordon Payne
05/03/2011

__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) Represents the sale of shares received upon the vesting of restricted stock units to cover the associated tax obligations. These shares are held by the 2007 John G. Payne Family Trust u/d/t March 29, 2007 (the "Payne Family Trust"). The Reporting Person and the Reporting Person's spouse are the trustees of the Payne Family Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership with respect to shares held by The Payne Family Trust, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) These stock options vest at a rate of 1/3 of the shares underlying the stock option one year from the date of grant and at a rate of 1/36 monthly thereafter.

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