

PAYNE JOHN GORDON

Form 4

March 04, 2009

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CITRIX SYSTEMS, INC., 851
WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD

(Street)

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/02/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

SVP, Delivery Systems Division

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	03/02/2009		A	6,333 A \$ 0	32,652	D	

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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)	\$ 20.09	03/02/2009		A	47,500	03/02/2010 ⁽²⁾ 03/02/2014	Common Stock	47,500

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, Delivery Systems Division	

Signatures

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

03/04/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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 shares of common stock are issuable pursuant to awards of restricted stock units that vest in three annual installments, with 33.4% vesting on the first anniversary of the grant date and 33.3% vesting on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) 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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