

PAYNE JOHN GORDON
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FORM 4

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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

(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)
 02/16/2012

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 below) ___ Other (specify below)

SVP, Desktop Division

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	(D)	Price
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/16/2012		A		30,334	A	\$ 0
Common Stock ⁽³⁾	02/16/2012		A		9,120	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					19,561	I	

The 2007 John G. Payne Family Trust u/d/t March 29, 2007 ⁽⁴⁾

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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 (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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

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
 **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).
- These shares of Common Stock are issuable pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units (the "RSU Grant") pursuant to the Citrix Systems, Inc. (the "Company") long-term incentive program (the "Program") established under the Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended. As of February 16, 2012, such RSU Grant was fully vested pursuant to the Program. Each vested restricted
- (1) stock unit entitles the Reporting Person to one share of the Company's Common Stock, payable following the earliest of (i) six months and one day following the Reporting Person's separation from service with the Company, (ii) the Reporting Person's death, and (iii) the effective date of a Change-in-Control (as defined in the long term incentive agreement entered into between the Company and the Reporting Person).
 - (2) Includes 170 shares acquired under the Citrix Systems, Inc. stock purchase plan on February 1, 2012.

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- (3) These shares of common stock are issuable pursuant to awards of performance-based restricted stock units that vest in three annual installments, with 33.4% vesting on the first anniversary of March 30, 2011 (the "grant date") and 33.3% vesting on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.

- (4) 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.

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