

A123 SYSTEMS, INC.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
KOPKOWSKI EDWARD W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O A123 SYSTEMS, INC., 200 WEST STREET

(Street)

WALTHAM, MA 02451

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
A123 SYSTEMS, INC. [AONE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/08/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/08/2012		A		200,000 (1)	A	\$ 0
					200,000 (2)	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)

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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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.47	02/08/2012		A	290,000	(3)		02/08/2022		Common Stock	290,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KOPKOWSKI EDWARD W C/O A123 SYSTEMS, INC. 200 WEST STREET WALTHAM, MA 02451			Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Eric J. Pyenson, Attorney-in-Fact for Edward W. Kopkowski
 02/10/2012
 **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 units of restricted stock, 25% of which vest on February 8, 2013. Thereafter, 6.25% of the total number of units vest at the end of each three-month period, so that entire number of units will be fully vested on February 8, 2016.
- (2) Restricted stock units ("RSUs"). Upon vesting thereof, the Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU.
- (3) Option vests with respect to 25% of the shares subject thereto on February 8, 2013 and 6.25% of the total shares subject to the option will vest at the end of each three-month period thereafter, such that the option will be fully vested and exercisable on February 8, 2016.

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