

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

FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person:

**DiChristina, Michael F.
FactSet Research Systems Inc.
One Greenwich Plaza
Greenwich, CT 06830**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC. (FDS)

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)

N/A

4. Statement for Month/Date/Year

10/15/02

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

N/A

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)

Director (* give title below) 10% Owner

Officer Other (specify below)

*** President and Chief Operating Officer**

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

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	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal Year	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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(Instr.3)	mm/dd/yy	(Instr. 8)	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
FactSet Research Systems Inc.	12/21/01	P	174	A	\$34.58			
	03/21/01	P	161	A	\$37.25			
Common Stock	06/21/02	P	257	A	\$29.17			
	08/30/02	P	355	A	\$24.80			
						220,988		D

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 mm/dd/yy	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 (mm/dd/yy)	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 at End of Year (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
FactSet Research Systems Inc. Stock Options								182,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Signature of Reporting Person

Date: October 15, 2002

/s/ Michael F. DiChristina
Michael F. DiChristina

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).