Childers Steven L Form 4 March 22, 2010

FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Childers Steven L

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

121 SOUTH 17TH STREET

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. [CNSL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

Chief Financial Officer

Applicable Line)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Securities

(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Common

per share

Stock, par value \$0.01

03/17/2010

 $A^{(1)}$

28.762 A

Amount

\$0

Price

(D)

110,095

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and		7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	٥		
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					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
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									Amount		
							Expiration Date	Title	or		
									Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Childers Steven L

121 SOUTH 17TH STREET Chief Financial Officer

MATTOON, IL 61938-3987

Signatures

/s/ Alexander B. Young, Attorney-in-Fact for Steven L.
Childers

03/22/2010

**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) Shares represent an award under the 2005 Long Term Incentive Plan. The shares will vest in equal installments on December 5, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

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