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SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP Form 4 February 12, 2009 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JAMES ELIZABETH R Issuer Symbol SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [SNV] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner _X__Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) P.O. BOX 120 02/10/2009 Vice Chairman and CPO / Advisory Director (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting COLUMBUS, GA 31902 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ Common **J**(1) 02/10/2009 2.173 Α 3.4521 76,452 (3) D Stock (2)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | 5. iorNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration D (Month/Day, e | Date Exercisable and xpiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | le and unt of rlying ities . 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| JAMES ELIZABETH R P.O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902 | | | Vice Chairman and CPO | Advisory Director | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Alana L. Griffin, Attorney-in-Fact | | 02/12/200 | 9 | | | | |
| **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) Purchase through Issuer's Director Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Purchase price per share was \$3.4521632.
- (3) Includes exempt purchases of 14 shares acquired through Issuer's 401(k) Plan and 42 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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