

Kunkel Joachim
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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 *
Kunkel Joachim

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD

 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/08/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP & GM, IP & Systems

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/08/2008		F	805 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 17.16	6,222	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2008		A	2,250 A \$ 0 ⁽²⁾	8,472	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)

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/08/2008		D	2,250	12/08/2008 12/08/2010	Common Stock	2,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kunkel Joachim 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043			VP & GM, IP & Systems	

Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Joachim Kunkel
Date: 12/10/2008

__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 were retained by the Company in order to meet the tax withholding obligations of the award holder in connection with the
- (1) vesting of an installment of the performance restricted stock unit award. The Compensation Committee approved the disposition of shares by the award holder and the amount retained by the Company was not in excess of the amount of the tax liability.
 - (2) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit was converted into an equivalent number of shares of common stock.

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