

SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP
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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 *
 BLANCHARD JAMES H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP
 [SNV]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 P.O. BOX 120
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/15/2009

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

COLUMBUS, GA 31902
 (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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	01/15/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	240,000	D	\$ 0	172,281	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	240,000	A	\$ 0	240,000	I	GRAT 01/2009
Common Stock							4,650	I	By DEB Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock							160,000	I	GRAT 12/2007
Common Stock							529,408	I	GRAT 5/2008

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Common Stock	192,759	I	GRAT 01/2008
Common Stock	350,000	I	GRAT 06/2007
Common Stock	113	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	169,088	I	Spouse GRAT 8/2007

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLANCHARD JAMES H P.O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902	X			

Signatures

/s/ Alana L. Griffin,
Attorney-in-Fact

01/20/2009

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) On January 15, 2009, the form of ownership of these shares changed when the reporting person transferred the shares for no consideration to the reporting person's 01/2009 GRAT.

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