

SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**JAMES ELIZABETH R**

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)  
**01/31/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Vice Chair, CPO, Sec / Advisory Director

**COLUMBUS, GA 31902**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. 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 (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) Amount (D) Price			
common stock	01/31/2008		A	11,125 A \$ 0	72,193 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 13.18	01/31/2008		A	225,000	01/31/2008 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/30/2018	common stock	225,000
employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 13.18	01/31/2008		A	44,501	01/31/2011 <sup>(3)</sup> 01/30/2018	common stock	44,501

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JAMES ELIZABETH R P. O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902			Vice Chair, CPO, Sec	Advisory Director

## Signatures

Garilou Page,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/01/2008

\*\*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).
- (1) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment and through issuer's employee stock purchase plan.
- (2) These options vest annually in 33% increments beginning on January 31, 2011.
- (3) These options vest annually in 33% increments beginning on January 31, 2009.

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