SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANTHONY RICHARD E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP [SNV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) P. O. BOX 12	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/21/2005	X Director 10% Owner Step Other (give title below) to below) President, COO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
COLUMBUS	, GA 31902			Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Code (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price common 11/22/2004 G V 30 Α \$0 586,183 D stock common 12/06/2004 V 2,740 D \$0 583,443 D G stock common D 12/13/2004 G V 460 D \$0 582,983 stock common 01/21/2005 A 63,386 Α \$0 646,369 D stock common 11/22/2004 G V 30 A \$0 69,061 I By Spouse

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common stock	11/22/2004	G	V 60	D	\$0	120,550	I	Anthony Family Partnership
common stock						163	I	Spouse IRA
common stock						1,410	I	By IRA

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	vative Expiration Date rities (Month/Day/Year) ired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 26.82	01/21/2005		A	57,047	01/21/2008	01/20/2015	common stock	57,047

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ANTHONY RICHARD E P. O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902	X		President, COO				

Signatures

Garilou Page, 01/25/2005 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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