#### WELLS JAMES M III

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### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) 303 PEACH	(First) (1	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of (Month/D			ransaction	_	,	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President & COO			
				f Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deen Execution any (Month/D	n Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)		(A) or (D)	d of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Stock	05/13/2005			S	400	D	71.99	132,670	D		
Common Stock								12,267	I	Spouse	
Common Stock								831.945	I	401(k) (1)	
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Restricted

Stock (2)

4,420

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (3)	<u>(3)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,740.0095
Option	\$ 37.28					01/23/1998	01/23/2007	Common Stock	2,682
Option	\$ 37.27					01/23/1998	01/23/2007	Common Stock	27,558
Option	\$ 38.28					02/24/1998	02/24/2007	Common Stock	10,176
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	1,838
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	26,290
Option	\$ 76.5					12/31/2001	12/31/2008	Common Stock	90,000
Option (4)	\$ 73.0625					12/31/2001	11/09/2009	Common Stock	15,000
Option (5)	\$ 50.5					03/06/2003	03/06/2010	Common Stock	24,000
Option (5)	\$ 50.5					03/06/2005	03/06/2010	Common Stock	16,000
Option (5)	\$ 51.125					12/31/2001	11/14/2010	Common Stock	15,000
Option (5)	\$ 51.125					11/14/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	35,000

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Option	(5) \$ 64.57	12/31/2001	11/13/2011	Common Stock	15,000
Option	<u>(5)</u> \$ 64.57	11/13/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Option	<u>(5)</u> \$ 54.28	02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	100,000
Option	<u>(5)</u> \$ 73.19	02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	100,000
Option	<u>(6)</u> \$ 73.14	02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	60,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WELLS JAMES M III 303 PEACHTREE STREET ATLANTA, GA 30308

President & COO

# **Signatures**

Raymond D. Fortin, Attorney-in-Fact for James M. Wells III

05/17/2005

\*\*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) Because the stock fund component of the 401(k) Plan is accounted for in unit accounting, the number of share equivalents varies based on the closing price of SunTrust stock on the applicable measurement date.
- Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan. Subject to certain vesting conditions. Restricted stock agreement contains tax withholding features allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. This plan is exempt under Rule 16(b)-3.
- (3) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
- (5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (6) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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