SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street)

(State)

JAMES ELIZABETH R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP

[SNV]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2006

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

below)

Vice Chairman and CPO / Advisory Director

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

P. O. BOX 120

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

COLUMBUS, GA 31902

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Amount (D) Price

common stock

01/31/2006

A 13,433 Α \$0 51,393 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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
employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 27.67	01/31/2006		A	40,300	<u>(1)</u>	01/30/2016	common stock	40,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JAMES ELIZABETH R P. O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902

Vice Chairman and CPO Advisory Director

Signatures

Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact 02/01/2006

**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) The option vests in three annual equal installments beginning 1/31/2007.

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