

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 \*  
Gula Allen J

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)  
12/11/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & Chief Operations Officer

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  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/11/2014                           |  | A                              | 178 <sup>(1)</sup>  | \$ 26.2   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/11/2014                           |  | F                              | 534 <sup>(2)</sup>  | \$ 26.2   | 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)

| 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Salary Stock Unit                          | \$ 0   | 12/12/2014                           |  | A                              | 132<br>(3)  | (3)      (3)   | Common Stock  | 132      \$ 25.7                           |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                     | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Gula Allen J<br>P.O. BOX 120<br>COLUMBUS, GA 31902 |               |           | EVP & Chief Operations Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Mary Maurice Young      12/15/2014

\*\*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).
- On December 11, 2013, the reporting person reported the grant of certain market restricted stock units (the "MRSUs"). The MRSUs have a service-based vesting component as well as a Total Shareholder Return Multiplier. On December 11, 2014, pursuant to the terms of the service-based vesting component of the MRSUs, the first tranche of such award vested. Based upon the Total Shareholder Return Multiplier, the reporting person received 160 additional shares of the Company's restricted stock, such shares representing the amount vested in excess of the target amount of MRSUs initially reported on Form 4 in December 2013. In addition, the reporting person received 18 shares of the Company's restricted stock through the accrual of dividend equivalents.
- (1) These shares were withheld upon the vesting of restricted stock units to pay tax withholding obligations.
  - (2) Salary stock units ("SSUs") are restricted stock units issued bi-weekly as a portion of the reporting person's salary compensation, net of withholdings and deductions, and are issued under the Synovus Financial Corp. 2013 Omnibus Plan. An SSU represents the right to receive a cash payment equal to the future value of a share of Synovus common stock. For more information, please see the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Synovus on January 24, 2014, as amended on February 5, 2014. SSUs are fully vested on the date of grant and will settle in cash on January 15, 2015.
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