SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GRIFFITH G SANDERS III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P. O. BOX 120

(Street)

COLUMBUS, GA 31902

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP [SNV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/10/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. EVP, GC and Sec

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
common stock								31	I	By son
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common stock	08/10/2005		M		66,980	A	$ 18.375	202,713	D	
common stock	08/10/2005		M		187,500	A	$ 14.5	390,213	D	

common stock	08/10/2005	S	19,300	D	$ 28.7	370,913	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	300	D	$ 28.72	370,613	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	400	D	$ 28.73	370,213	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	300	D	$ 28.74	369,913	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	15,500	D	$ 28.75	354,413	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	8,000	A	$ 28.76	346,413	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	1,900	D	$ 28.79	344,513	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	4,900	A	$ 28.77	339,613	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	5,800	D	$ 28.78	333,813	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	17,500	D	$ 28.8	316,313	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	4,300	D	$ 28.81	312,013	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	2,300	D	$ 28.82	309,713	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	4,300	D	$ 28.83	305,413	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	3,670	D	$ 28.84	301,743	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	1,400	D	$ 28.85	300,343	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	500	D	$ 28.86	299,843	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	2,000	D	$ 28.87	297,843	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	2,700	D	$ 28.88	295,143	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	500	D	$ 28.9	294,643	D
common stock	08/10/2005	S	800	D	$ 28.91	293,843	D
	08/10/2005	S	2,100	D	$ 28.94	291,743	D

common stock								
common stock	08/10/2005		S	34,600	D	$ 28.95	257,143	D
common stock	08/10/2005		S	1,100	D	$ 28.96	256,043	D
common stock	08/10/2005		S	5,500	D	$ 28.97	250,543	D
common stock	08/10/2005		S	2,900	D	$ 28.98	247,643	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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Share
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 18.375	08/10/2005		M			66,980	07/01/2002[(1)]	06/30/2007	common stock	66,
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 14.5	08/10/2005		M			187,500	11/03/2002[(2)]	11/02/2007	common stock	187

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GRIFFITH G SANDERS III P. O. BOX 120			Sr. EVP, GC and Sec	

COLUMBUS, GA 31902

Signatures

Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact	08/12/2005
**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)	The employee stock options granted to the reporting person on 7/1/1997 vested in 20% annual increments beginning on the one year anniversary of the date of grant and continuing until the fifth anniversary of the date of grant.
(2)	The employee stock options granted to the reporting person on 11/3/1997 vested as follows: 10% on 11/3/1998, 10% on 11/3/1999, 10% on 11/3/2000, 10% on 11/3/2001 and the remaining 60% on 11/3/2002.

Remarks:

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