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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 *
 Freeman Thomas E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/22/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Corp. EVP & Efficiency Exec.

ATLANTA, GA 30308

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/22/2018		M	81,400 A \$ 64.58	229,672.71	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2018		S	81,400 D 64.58	148,272.71	D	
Common Stock					650.8124	I ⁽³⁾	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(1) Sold at prices ranging from \$69.09 to \$69.49.

Represents time-vested restricted stock units granted on February 9, 2016 under the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2009 Stock Plan. The plan is

(2) exempt under Rule 16b-03. Units will be settled in shares. The award agreement contains tax withholding features which allow us to withhold units to satisfy withholding obligations.

(3) 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.

(4) The phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s Deferred Compensation Plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

(5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan. Includes shares acquired upon dividend reinvestment.

Represents time-vested restricted stock unit award granted on February 14th, 2017 under the SunTrust Banks, Inc 2009 Stock Plan. The

(6) plan is exempt under Rule 16b-3. Award will vest on February 14, 2020 and will be settled in Share of Common Stock. The restricted unit award agreements contain tax withholding provisions which allow us to satisfy tax withholding obligations by netting shares.

Represents performance stock which was granted on February 21, 2014 and which vested on February 21, 2017. Award is settled in

(7) common stock. Because exceptional performance resulted in the award vesting at greater than 130% of target, the amount that vested in excess of 130% is subject to a one year deferral.

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