SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANTHONY RICHARD E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP [SNV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) P. O. BOX 12	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2006	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
COLUMBUS, GA 31902				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-E	Derivative :	Securi	ities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
common stock	12/06/2005		G	V	3,590	D	\$0	647,222	D	
common stock	01/31/2006		A		32,536	A	\$0	680,214	D	
common stock								69,061	I	By Spouse
common stock								120,550	I	Anthony Family Partnership
common								163	I	Held in

Spouse IRA

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Account

common stock 1,410 I Held in IRA Account

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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	\$ 27.67	01/31/2006		A	97,608	<u>(1)</u>	01/30/2016	common stock	97,608

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ANTHONY RICHARD E P. O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS, GA 31902	X		CEO and President					

Signatures

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Garilou Page, Attorney-in-Fact

**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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Remarks:

Note that the total number of non-derivative securities directly held includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment ar Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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