SYMANTEC CORP

Form 3

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

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Â Thompson John David (Last) (First) (Middle) 20330 STEVENS CREEK BLVD. (Street) CUPERTINO,Â CAÂ 95014 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2008	3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _____ Director _____ 10% Owner __X__ Officer _____ Other (give title below) (specify below) Group Pres., IT & Serv. Group	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 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 Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	99,999 [(1)]	D	Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	02/03/2013	Common Stock	300,000	$ 16.9	D	Â
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (3)	05/10/2014	Common Stock	100,000	$ 19.48	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thompson John David 20330 STEVENS CREEK BLVD. CUPERTINO,Â CAÂ 95014	Â	Â	Â Group Pres., IT & Serv. Group	Â

Signatures

/s/ Greg King, as attorney-in-fact for J. David Thompson	01/17/2008
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

*   If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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)   Represents shares that are issuable pursuant to restricted stock units. 33,333 shares will vest on January 30, 2008, 16,667 shares will vest on June 1, 2008, 33,333 shares will vest on January 30, 2009 and 16,666 shares will vest on June 1, 2009.

(2)   25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from January 30, 2006 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.

(3)   25% will vest on 1st anniversary measured from May 10, 2007 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.

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Remarks:
ExhibitÂ List
Â Â ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

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