

SUNTRUST BANKS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WELLS JAMES M III**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
303 PEACHTREE STREET  
(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President & COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	133,710	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	12,267	I	Spouse
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	949.49	I	401(k) <sup>(1)</sup>

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>					<sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock 1,779.9
Option	\$ 37.28					01/23/1998 01/23/2007	Common Stock 2,68
Option	\$ 37.27					01/23/1998 01/23/2007	Common Stock 27,5
Option	\$ 38.28					02/24/1998 02/24/2007	Common Stock 10,1
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998 01/22/2008	Common Stock 1,83
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998 01/22/2008	Common Stock 26,2
Option	\$ 76.5					12/31/2001 12/31/2008	Common Stock 90,0
Option <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 73.0625					12/31/2001 11/09/2009	Common Stock 15,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 50.5					03/06/2003 03/06/2010	Common Stock 24,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 50.5					03/06/2005 03/06/2010	Common Stock 16,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 51.125					12/31/2001 11/14/2010	Common Stock 15,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 51.125					11/14/2003 11/14/2010	Common Stock 35,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 64.57					12/31/2001 11/13/2011	Common Stock 15,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 64.57					11/13/2004 11/13/2011	Common Stock 60,0
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 54.28					02/11/2006 02/11/2013	100,0

Option	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Expiration Date	Common Stock	Quantity
Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 73.19		02/10/2007 02/10/2014	Common Stock	100,000
Option <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 73.14		02/08/2008 02/08/2015	Common Stock	60,000
Option <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 71.03	02/14/2006		Common Stock	100,000
					A
					100,000
					02/14/2009 02/14/2016

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WELLS JAMES M III 303 PEACHTREE STREET ATLANTA, GA 30308			President & COO	

## Signatures

Raymond D. Fortin, Attorney-in-Fact for James M.  
Wells III

02/16/2006

\_\_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) 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.
- (2) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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