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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Breeden Frances L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
Diceden Frances E			Symbol SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
303 PEACHTREE STREET			02/10/2009	X Officer (give title Other (specification) Corp. Executive Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ATLANTA,	GA 30308		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 4,500	D		
Common Stock							342.8	I	401(k) (1)	
Common Stock	02/10/2009		A	14,800	A	\$ 0	34,143	I	Restricted Stock (2)	

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 Disposed (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	e (A) or of (D)	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 (3)	(3)						(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	766.97
Option (4)	\$ 73.06						11/09/2002	11/09/2009	Common Stock	3,000
Option (5)	\$ 51.13						11/14/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	2,000
Option (5)	\$ 64.57						11/13/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	2,400
Option (5)	\$ 63.74						08/01/2005	08/01/2012	Common Stock	1,000
Option (5)	\$ 54.28						02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	10,00
Option (5)	\$ 73.19						02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	8,000
Option (6)	\$ 73.14						02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	10,00
Option (6)	\$ 71.03						02/14/2009	02/14/2016	Common Stock	22,50
Option (6)	\$ 85.06						02/13/2010	02/13/2017	Common Stock	20,00
Option (6)	\$ 64.58						02/12/2011	02/12/2018	Common Stock	33,50
Option (6)	\$ 9.06	02/10/2009		A	107,545	5	02/10/2012	02/10/2019	Common Stock	107,54

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Breeden Frances L 303 PEACHTREE STREET ATLANTA, GA 30308

Corp. Executive Vice President

Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for Frances L. Breeden

02/12/2009

**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.
 - Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan. Subject to certain vesting conditions. Restricted stock agreements contain tax withholding features allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. All plans are exempt under Rule
- (2) 16(b)-3. Includes 3,041 shares of restricted stock which will vest on 02/14/2009, 4,190 shares which vest on 2/13/2010, 1,612 shares which vest on 5/04/2010, 5,500 shares which vest on 02/12/2011, 5,000 shares which vest on 10/31/2011 and 14,800 shares which vest on 02/10/2012.
- (3) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
- (5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (6) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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