WELLS JAMES M III

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

WELLS JAMES M III			Symbol SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011				X Director 10% Owner Selow) Lambda Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Chairman			
ATLANTA	(Street)			endment, Da nth/Day/Year				6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by M Person	oint/Group Filin	rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-D	Perivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Day (Month/Day/Year) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	12/31/2011			D	17,543	D	\$ 17.7	227,503.596	D (1)	
Common Stock								12,267	I	Spouse
Common Stock								1,713.6164	I (2)	401(k)
Common Stock								8,184.882	I (3)	GRAT

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Phantom Stock (4)	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	7,94
Phantom Stock (5)	<u>(5)</u>						(5)	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	57,5
Phantom Stock (6)	<u>(6)</u>	12/31/2011		A	32,012		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	32
Option (7)	\$ 54.28						02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	100
Option (7)	\$ 73.19						02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	100
Option (8)	\$ 73.14						02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	60
Option (8)	\$ 71.03						02/14/2009	02/14/2016	Common Stock	100
Option (8)	\$ 85.06						02/13/2010	02/13/2017	Common Stock	163
Option (8)	\$ 64.58						02/12/2011	02/12/2018	Common Stock	250
Option (8)	\$ 9.06	12/31/2011		D		9,360	12/31/2011	02/10/2019	Common Stock	240
Option (9)	\$ 29.2						04/01/2012	04/01/2021	Common Stock	84

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
	X		Chairman				

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Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for James M. Wells III

01/04/2012

**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) Reflects pro rata vesting upon retirement and netting of shares to satisfy applicable withholding taxes of restricted stock granted in 2009. Also reflects forfeiture of 62,913 shares of restricted stock granted in 2010.
- (2) Because the stock fund components of the 401(k) Plan is accounted for in unit accounting, the number of shares equivalents varies based on the closing price of SunTrust Stock on the applicable measurement date.
- (3) Includes shares acquired upon dividend reinvestment since reporting person's last report.
- (4) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc's Deferred Compensation Plan. These phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (5) Represents stock units granted under the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2009 Stock Plan paid as salary. Remainder will be settled on March 31, 2012, unless settled earlier due to executive's death.
- Reflects satisfaction of performance vesting condition (Tier 1 Capital) as of December 31, 2011 with respect to restricted stock units originally granted under the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2009 Stock Plan on April 1, 2011. Grant was exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3. Award remains subject to time-vesting criterion and will vest pro rata annually (i.e. one-third each year) and will vest post-retirement provided certain noncompetition and other restrictive covenants are performed.
- (7) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (8) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.
- (9) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2009 Stock Plan. Award vest annually over three years.

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