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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP [SNV] A Singleton Jeffrey Barton (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) SYNOVUS FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) CORP., Â P.O. BOX 120 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting EVP/Synovus Finan. Mgmt. Svcs. Person COLUMBUS, GAÂ 31902 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 25,289 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

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

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Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Stock Option  $01/31/2011_{\frac{(2)}{2}} 01/31/2018 \frac{\text{Common}}{\text{Stock}} 125,000 \$ 13.18$  D  $\hat{A}$ 

#### **Reporting Owners**

COLUMBUS, GAÂ 31902

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Singleton Jeffrey Barton
SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP.
P.O. BOX 120

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Alana L. Griffin, Attorney-in-Fact 02/03/2010

\*\*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) Includes 2,394 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment and 11,036 shares acquired through Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Stock option vests 33% per year beginning on January 31, 2011.

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