

Dierker David F
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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 *
 Dierker David F

(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)
 05/19/2006

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)
 Corp. EVP & Chief Adm. Off.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/19/2006		M	V	1,574 \$ 33.66	A	4,962 D
Common Stock	05/19/2006		F		700 \$ 75.63	D	4,262 D
Common Stock						I	770.213 401(k) ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock						I	4,000 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 (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 or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units ⁽³⁾	⁽³⁾							⁽³⁾	⁽³⁾	Common Stock	328,967
Option ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 33.66	05/19/2006		M		1,574		11/18/1997	11/18/2006	Common Stock	1,574
Option ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 37.28							01/23/1998	01/23/2007	Common Stock	1,536
Option ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 54.4							01/22/1999	01/22/2008	Common Stock	785
Option ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 54.39							01/22/1999	01/22/2008	Common Stock	1,231
Option ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 65.1875							12/31/2000	02/09/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Option ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 73.0625							11/09/2002	11/09/2009	Common Stock	1,900
Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 51.125							11/14/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	4,000
Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 64.57							11/13/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	3,500
Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 54.28							02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 73.19							02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	4,000
Option ⁽⁷⁾	\$ 73.14							02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	18,000
Option ⁽⁷⁾	\$ 71.03							02/14/2009	02/14/2016		30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dierker David F 303 PEACHTREE STREET ATLANTA, GA 30308			Corp. EVP & Chief Adm. Off.	

Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for David F. Dierker	05/23/2006
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__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) 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) Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan and 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. Both plans are exempt under Rule 16(b)-3.
 - (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 a Crestar Financial Corporation plan.
 - (5) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
 - (6) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
 - (7) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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