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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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] Stanford Debra B. (Month/Day/Year) 09/27/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) P.O. BOX 120 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person COLUMBUS, Â GAÂ 31902 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 99,442 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	07/16/2006(1)	07/15/2013	Common Stock	2,140	\$ 10.57	D	Â
Stock Option	07/02/2007(2)	07/01/2014	Common Stock	5,352	\$ 12.22	D	Â
Stock Option	06/17/2008(3)	06/16/2015	Common Stock	5,887	\$ 13.78	D	Â
Stock Option	02/01/2012(4)	01/31/2020	Common Stock	21,429	\$ 2.8	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Fg	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
Stanford Debra B. P.O. BOX 120 COLUMBUS. GA 31902	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

Signatures

/s/Mary Maurice Young	10/09/2012		
**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).
- Includes (1) 7,301 shares acquired through Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan; (2) 288 shares acquired through Issuer's 401(k) Plan; (3) 67,183 shares that are subject to restricted stock units with various vesting in the future; (4) 18,487 salary stock units which are issued bi-weekly as a portion of the reporting person's salary compensation, net of withholdings and deductions, under the Synovus Financial Corp. 2007 Omnibus Plan; and (5) 6,183 shares of additional stock.
- (2) Stock options vested 100% on the three year anniversary of the grant date (July 2, 2004).
- (3) Stock options vested 100% on the three year anniversary of the grant date (June 17, 2005).
- (4) Stock options vested 50% on the two year anniversary of the grant date (February 1, 2010) and will vest the remaining 50% on the three year anniversary of the grant date.

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