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FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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REPORTING OWNER

Howard Kevin Joseph

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CIK: **18349** | IRS No.: **581134883** | State of Incorporation: **GA** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**

SIC: **6021** National commercial banks

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|---|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Howard Kevin Joseph | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP [SNV] | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) EVP and Chief Credit Officer | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2013 | | | | | |
| P.O. BOX 120 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| (Street) COLUMBUS, GA 31902 | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | | | |

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|-------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Salary Stock Unit | \$ 0 | 01/11/2013 | | A | | 1,346 | (I) | (I) | (I) | Common Stock | 1,346 | \$2.44 | 44,028 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Salary stock units ("SSUs") are restricted stock units issued bi-weekly as a portion of the reporting person's salary compensation, net of withholdings and deductions, and are issued under the Synovus Financial Corp. 2007 Omnibus Plan. An SSU represents the right to receive a cash payment equal to the future value of a share of Synovus common stock. For more information, please see the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Synovus on December 14, 2012. SSUs are fully vested on the date of grant and will settle in cash on January 15, 2014.

Signatures

/s/Mary Maurice Young

01/14/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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