

WELLS JAMES M III  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WELLS JAMES M III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
303 PEACHTREE ST.  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/13/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President&Chief Operating Off.

ATLANTA, GA 30308

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock	12/13/2004		G	V	237	D	94,555	D	
Common Stock	12/16/2004		G	V	1	D	94,554	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2004		G	V	900	D	93,654	D	
Common Stock							12,267	I	Spouse
Common Stock							695,998	I	401(k) <sup>(2)</sup>

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Common Stock 4,420 I Restricted Stock <sup>(3)</sup>

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 <sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>					<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	1,460.8488
Option	\$ 19.7					01/26/1996	01/26/2005	Common Stock	23,000
Option	\$ 28.2					01/25/1997	01/25/2006	Common Stock	3,546
Option	\$ 28.19					01/25/1997	01/25/2006	Common Stock	34,470
Option	\$ 37.28					01/23/1998	01/23/2007	Common Stock	2,682
Option	\$ 37.27					01/23/1998	01/23/2007	Common Stock	27,558
Option	\$ 38.28					02/24/1998	02/24/2007	Common Stock	10,176
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	1,838
Option	\$ 54.39					07/20/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	26,290
Option	\$ 76.5					12/31/2001	12/31/2008	Common Stock	90,000



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(5) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.

(6) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.

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