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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 \*  
HILL C T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

919 EAST MAIN STREET

(Street)

RICHMOND, VA 23219

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/16/2004

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)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2004		G	V 1,000 D	20,792	D	
Common Stock					14,350.046	I	401(k) (2)
Common Stock					2,210	I	Restricted Stock (3)

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)	8. D	9. S	10. (I	
				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	337.101
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>							<sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common Stock	380.7685
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 28.19							01/25/1996	01/25/2006	Common Stock	5,286
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 37.27							01/23/1997	01/23/2007	Common Stock	4,326
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 38.28							02/24/1997	02/24/2007	Common Stock	2,640
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 54.39							01/22/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	1,838
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 54.39							01/22/1998	01/22/2008	Common Stock	6,514
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 65.1875							12/31/2000	02/08/2009	Common Stock	1,534
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 73.0625							11/09/2002	11/09/2009	Common Stock	1,365
Option <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 73.0625							11/09/2002	11/09/2009	Common Stock	4,635
Option <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 51.125							11/14/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	15,000
Option <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 64.57							11/13/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	15,000
Option <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 54.28							02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	15,000

Option <sup>(7)</sup> \$ 73.19

02/10/2007 02/10/2014

Common Stock 18,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HILL C T 919 EAST MAIN STREET RICHMOND, VA 23219			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Margaret U. Hodgson, Attorney-in-Fact for Charles T. Hill	12/23/2004
__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) This transaction is a gift.
- (2) Because the stock fund component of the 401(k) Plan 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.  
Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan. Subject to certain vesting conditions. Restricted stock agreement
- (3) contains tax withholding features allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. This plan is exempt under Rule 16(b)-3.
- (4) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (5) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Crestar Bank's ANEX plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (6) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
- (7) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.

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