

ANTHONY RICHARD E
 Form 4
 February 11, 2003
 SEC Form 4

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| <p>FORM 4</p> <p>[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).</p> <p>(Print or Type Responses)</p> | <p>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION</p> <p>Washington, D.C. 20549</p> <p>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP</p> <p>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</p> | <p>OMB APPROVAL</p> <hr/> <p>OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5</p> |
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p>Anthony, Richard E</p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>P. O. Box 120</p> <hr/> <p>(Street)</p> <p>Columbus, GA 31902-120</p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Synovus Financial Corp. SNV</p> | <p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>Vice Chairman</p> <hr/> <p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
| <p>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)</p> | <p>4. Statement for Month/Day/Year</p> <p>February 11, 2003</p> <hr/> <p>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</p> | |

| 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 and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (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) |
| Common Stock | 02/11/2003 | | J (1) | 392 A \$19.15 | 521,476 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 123,500 | I | Anthony Family Partnership |
| Common Stock | | | | | 69,031 | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | 163 | I | By Spouse (IRA) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,410 | I | Held by IRA - R.E. Anthony |
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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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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 and Voluntary Code (V) (Instr.8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr.4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4) |
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| | | | | Code V | | (DE) (ED) | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses :

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

By: By Garilou Page as Attorney in Fact 02-11-2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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FOOTNOTE Descriptions for Synovus Financial Corp. SNV

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Explanation of responses:

(1) Purchase of shares under Director Stock Purchase Plan.