#### SCHWAB CHARLES CORP

Form 4

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#### **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading McCool James D Issuer Symbol SCHWAB CHARLES CORP (Check all applicable) [SCHW] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O THE CHARLES SCHWAB 12/10/2008 **EVP** - Institutional Services **CORPORATION, 120 KEARNY** STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94108

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/10/2008		A	2,713 (1)	A	\$0	80,525.34 (2)	D	

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)

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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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ame Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
Nonqualified Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 18.49	12/10/2008		A	23,981	12/10/2009(3)	12/10/2018	Common Stock	2

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McCool James D C/O THE CHARLES SCHWAB CORPORATION 120 KEARNY STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94108

**EVP - Institutional Services** 

### **Signatures**

Jane E. Fry, Attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) The restricted stock awards vest in increments of 25% on the first, second, third and fourth anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) The reporting person also has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in 8,369.11 shares held by a 401(k) and 4,871.66 shares held by an ESOP
- (3) The option vests 25% on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversary of the grant date and has a term of ten years.

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