RATCLIFFE DAVID M

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RATCLIFFE DAVID M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner Other (specify

303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E.

12/12/2011

Officer (give title below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

20,000

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 4)

D

Common Stock

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units (1)	(1)	12/12/2011		A	89.0736	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	89.0736	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RATCLIFFE DAVID M 303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E. X ATLANTA, GA 30303

Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for David M.
Ratcliffe
12/13/2011

**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).

The phantom stock units were accrued udner the SunTrust Banks, Inc. Directors Deferred Compensation Plan and are to be settled upon (1) the reporting person's retirement. Directors' fees are deferred into this plan and are accounted for as if invested in SunTrust common stock. The phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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