

SUNTRUST BANKS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 ROYAL FRANK S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1122 NORTH 25TH STREET, SUITE A

(Street)

RICHMOND, VA 23223

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/19/2005

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		
			Code	V	Price		
Common Stock					3,978	D	
Common Stock	04/19/2005		A		\$ 1,200	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
					70.93		

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	(2)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,928.126
Option (3)	\$ 51.125					11/14/2000	11/14/2010	Common Stock	2,000
Option (3)	\$ 64.57					11/13/2001	11/13/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Option (3)	\$ 54.28					02/11/2003	02/11/2013	Common Stock	2,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROYAL FRANK S 1122 NORTH 25TH STREET SUITE A RICHMOND, VA 23223	X			

## Signatures

Kimberly N. Rhodes, Attorney-in-Fact for Frank S. Royal, M.D. 04/20/2005

\*\*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) Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan. The plan is exempt under Rule 16(b)-3.

(2) Phantom stock units represent stock equity awards and deferred cash and/or stock payable to the Reporting Person as an annual retainer for past service on the Board of Crestar Bank, which was acquired by SunTrust. Units will be distributed to the Reporting Person in stock on February 15 of the year following the year in which he ends service on the Board of SunTrust Bank, Issuer's wholly-owned subsidiary. Includes additional shares acquired as a result of reinvestment of dividends since the reporting person's last filing.

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

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