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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Freeman Thomas E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E.
 (Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/16/2018

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)
 Corp. EVP & Efficiency Exec.

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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	34,652 D	148,272.758	D	
Common Stock					650.176	I ⁽³⁾	401(k)

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 <u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,589.1591
Phantom Stock <u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>					02/09/2019	02/09/2019	Common Stock	22,618
Phantom Stock <u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>					02/14/2018	02/14/2020	Common Stock	5,773.5778
Phantom Stock <u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>					02/21/2017	02/21/2018	Common Stock	5,602.132

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Freeman Thomas E 303 PEACHTREE STREET, N.E. ATLANTA, GA 30308			Corp. EVP & Efficiency Exec.	

Signatures

Curt Phillips, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas E. Freeman
02/20/2018

__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) Sold at prices ranging from \$70.72 to \$71.205.

Represents time-vested restricted stock units granted on February 9, 2016 under the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2009 Stock Plan. The plan is exempt under Rule 16b-03. Units will be settled in shares. The award agreement contains tax withholding features which allow us to withhold units to satisfy withholding obligations.

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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.

- (4) The phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s Deferred Compensation Plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

- (5) Represents time-vested restricted stock unit award granted on February 14th, 2017 under the SunTrust Banks, Inc 2009 Stock Plan. The plan is exempt under Rule 16b-3. Award will be settled in share of common stock. The restricted unit award agreements contain tax withholding provisions which allow us to satisfy tax withholding obligations by netting shares.

- (6) Represents performance stock which was granted on February 21, 2014 and which vested on February 21, 2017. Award is settled in common stock. Because exceptional performance resulted in the award vesting at greater than 130% of target, the amount that vested in excess of 130% is subject to a one year deferral.

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