

SUNTRUST BANKS INC  
 Form 4  
 January 28, 2003

**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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|--|---------|----------|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol                                   |  |  | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)   |  |  |
| <b>Clay, Jr., John W.</b>                |         |          | <b>SunTrust Banks, Inc. - STI</b>   |  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Director<br><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <b>Vice Chairman</b><br>Other (specify below) |  |  |
| (Last)                                   | (First) | (Middle) | 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) |  |  | 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year   |  |  |
|  |         |          | <b>58-1575035</b>   |  |  | <b>January 24, 2003</b>   |  |  |
| 303 Peachtree St.                        |         |          |   |  |  | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)  |  |  |
| (Street)                                 |         |          |   |  |  | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)   |  |  |
| Atlanta, GA 30308                        |         |          |   |  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person   |  |  |

| 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 & 5) |  |           | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4) |                 | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------------------|------|--|--------|--------------------------------|-------|---|--|-----------|--|-----------------|--|---|
|                                 | (City) | (State) | (Zip)                                | Code | V  | Amount | (A) or (D)                     | Price |   |  |           |  |                 |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      | G    | V  | 1,200  | D                              |       |   |  | 32,703    | D  | (1)             |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 8,738     | I  | Spouse          |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 8,287.177 | I  | 401(k)(2)       |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 4,171.532 | I  | Family Trust(3) |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 1,119.380 | I  | Family Trust(4) |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 503.841   | I  | Family Trust(5) |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 200       | I  | Family Trust(6) |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |        |         |                                      |      |  |        |                                |       |   |  | 6,434     | I  | Unitrust(7)     |  |   |

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|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------|---|---------------------------------|
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 38,000 | I | Restricted Stock <sup>(8)</sup> |
|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------|---|---------------------------------|

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
**(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of Derivative Securities<br>Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 & 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 & 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|--|---|---|---|---|
|   |  |   |   | Code                              | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable  | Expiration Date |  |   |   |   |   |
| Phantom Stock Units <sup>(9)</sup>            | 1 for 1  |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | (9)   | (9)             | Common Stock   |   | 5,491.745   | D   |   |
| Phantom Stock Units <sup>(10)</sup>           | 1 for 1  |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | (10)  | (10)            | Common Stock   |   | 40,000  | D   |   |
| Option <sup>(11)</sup>                        | 30.25  |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | 8/8/95  | 8/7/05          | Common Stock   |   | 14,500  | D   |   |
| Option <sup>(12)</sup>                        | 73.0625  |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | 11/9/02   | 11/9/09         | Common Stock   |   | 15,000  | D   |   |
| Option <sup>(13)</sup>                        | 51.125   |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | 11/14/03  | 11/14/10        | Common Stock   |   | 50,000  | D   |   |
| Option <sup>(13)</sup>                        | 64.57  |   |   |                                   |   |  |     | 11/13/04  | 11/13/11        | Common Stock   |   | 100,000   | D   |   |

Explanation of Responses:

(1) 760 shares were also transferred to Mr. Clay's direct ownership from the John Clay Children's Family Trust.

(2) 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.

(3) John Clay Children's Family Trust.

(4) In family trust for Madelaine Wood Clay.

(5) In family trust for Abigail Campbell Clay.

(6) In family trust for Anne Cecile Meredith.

(7) In charitable lead unitrust.

(8) Restricted stock held under 1986 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan and 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan. Subject to certain vesting conditions. Restricted stock agreements contain tax withholding features allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. Both plans are exempt under Rule 16(b)-3.

(9) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan.

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(10) Granted in exchange for restricted stock. Will be paid out on various dates.

(11) This option becomes exercisable in 10% increments over 10 years or in the event of death, disability or change of control. This option was granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.

(12) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.

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

By: /s/ **Margaret Hodgson, Attorney-in-Fact for John W. Clay, Jr.**

**January 28, 2003**  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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