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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 22, 2006

Date of Report

(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

Synovus Financial Corp.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Georgia</u> 1-10312 58-1134883

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1111 Bay Avenue, Suite 500, Columbus, Georgia 31901

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(706) 649-2267

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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<u>Item 5.02</u> <u>Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.</u>

C. Edward Floyd retired as a director of Synovus Financial Corp. (Synovus) on May 22, 2006 as a result of his attaining the age of 72, which age is specified in Synovus bylaws as the retirement age for directors. At the time of his retirement, Dr. Floyd served as a member of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Synovus has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP. (Synovus)

Dated: May 22, 2006 By: /s/ Kathleen Moates

Senior Deputy General Counsel

Kathleen Moates