#### SYMANTEC CORP

Form 4

October 28, 2009

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* THOMPSON JOHN WENDELL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

350 ELLIS STREET 10/26/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

> \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly 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) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/26/2009		M	60,000	A	\$ 4.3204	1,589,258	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2009		S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 16.6	1,579,258	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	10,000	D	\$ 16.63	1,569,258	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	20,000	D	\$ 16.64	1,549,258	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	10,000	D	\$ 16.74	1,539,258	D	
	10/26/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	10,000	D	\$ 16.75	1,529,258	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.3204	10/26/2009		M	60,000	12/18/2004	12/18/2010	Common Stock	60

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THOMPSON JOHN WENDELL 350 ELLIS STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043	X					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Greg King, as attorney-in-fact for John W.

Thompson 10/28/2009 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **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) Sale was made pursuant to a stock trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

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