

SYMANTEC CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
THOMPSON JOHN WENDELL

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
350 ELLIS STREET  
(Street)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/20/2010

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	12/20/2010		M		60,000	A	\$ 8.2125 1,271,364	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010		S(1)		10,000	D	\$ 16.92 1,261,364	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010		S(1)		9,900	D	\$ 16.91 1,251,464	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010		S(1)		100	D	\$ 16.915 1,251,364	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010		S(1)		3,885	D	\$ 16.82 1,247,479	D
	12/20/2010		S(1)		6,115	D	\$ 16.86 1,241,364	D

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	400	D	\$ 16.75	1,240,964	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 16.735	1,240,864	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	9,500	D	\$ 16.73	1,231,364	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 16.785	1,231,164	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	400	D	\$ 16.7901	1,230,764	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	67	D	\$ 16.795	1,230,697	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	7,709	D	\$ 16.78	1,222,988	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	11,624	D	\$ 16.79	1,211,364	D
Common Stock	12/20/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	10,000	D	\$ 16.95	1,201,364	D

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.2125	12/20/2010		M	60,000	04/14/2006	12/05/2011	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/ Simona Katcher, as attorney-in-fact for John W. Thompson

12/21/2010

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

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