SYMANTEC CORP

Form 4

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLEMAN WILLIAM T III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title 10% Owner

Other (specify

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

20330 STEVENS CREEK

(Street)

BOULEVARD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/19/2005

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

CUPERTINO, CA 95014

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

2. Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)			Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 21.93	09/19/2005		A		12,000		<u>(1)</u>	09/19/2015	Common Stock	12,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COLEMAN WILLIAM T III 20330 STEVENS CREEK BOULEVARD X CUPERTINO, CA 95014

Signatures

Arthur Courville, as attorney-in-fact for William Coleman 09/21/2005

**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) 25% vests on 1st anniversary measured from 09/19/2005 and thereafter in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.

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