

Kunkel Joachim  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**Kunkel Joachim**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD

(Street)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SYNOPSIS INC [SNPS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/03/2008

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)

VP & GM, IP & Systems

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/03/2008		F	1,252 (1)	\$ 15.09	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2008		A	3,500	\$ 0 (2)	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
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/03/2008		A <sup>(3)</sup>	14,000	12/03/2008 <sup>(4)</sup> 12/10/2011	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/03/2008		D	3,500	12/03/2008 12/10/2011	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kunkel Joachim 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043			VP & GM, IP & Systems	

## Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Joachim Kunkel 12/05/2008

\_\_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).

- These shares were retained by the Company in order to meet the tax withholding obligations of the award holder in connection with the
- (1) vesting of an installment of the performance restricted stock unit award. The Compensation Committee approved the disposition of shares by the award holder and the amount retained by the Company was not in excess of the amount of the tax liability.
  - (2) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit was converted into an equivalent number of shares of common stock.
  - (3) On 12/10/07 the reporting person was granted Restricted Stock Units the vesting of which was based on satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal year ending 10/31/08. The performance criteria were met.
  - (4) 25% of the units vest on the date shown followed by three equal annual installments.

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