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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SYMANTEC CORP [SYMC] Robbins William T (Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 20330 STEVENS CREEK (Check all applicable) **BOULEVARD** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting EVP, Worldwide Sales Person CUPERTINO, Â CAÂ 95014 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 54,184 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	04/15/2006	05/03/2012	Common Stock	21,702	\$ 23.0386	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	04/15/2006	05/03/2012	Common Stock	34,507	\$ 23.0386	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	09/01/2006	11/19/2012	Common Stock	45,670	\$ 14.4636	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/30/2006	02/17/2014	Common Stock	50,589	\$ 29.3898	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	11/15/2008	02/15/2012	Common Stock	50,589	\$ 21.8466	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	10/20/2012	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 22.68	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	06/20/2013	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 15.9	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	05/10/2014	Common Stock	42,000	\$ 19.48	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	07/10/2014	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 18.87	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	05/09/2015	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 19.99	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Robbins William T 20330 STEVENS CREEK BOULEVARD CUPERTINO, CA 95014	Â	Â	EVP, Worldwide Sales	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Simona Katcher, as attorney-in-fact for William T.
Robbins 02/11/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- Includes shares that are issuable pursuant to restricted stock units (25,000 shares will vest annually in three equal installments beginning (1) June 1, 2009, 3,750 shares will vest annually in two equal installments beginning June 1, 2009, 7,000 shares will vest on June 1, 2009 and 18,000 shares will vest on June 1, 2009).

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Reporting Owners 2

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25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from October 20, 2005 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.

- (3) 25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from June 20, 2006 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months
- (4) 25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from May 10, 2007 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months
- (5) 25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from July 10, 2007 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.
- (6) 25% vested on 1st anniversary measured from May 9, 2008 and the remainder will vest in equal monthly installments over the next 36 months.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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