

Dreyer Michael L
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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 *
 Dreyer Michael L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3005 TASMAN DRIVE
 (Street)

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/01/2018

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)
 Chief Operations Officer

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 2,960 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 27 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By 401(k)/ESOP |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Performance Restricted Stock Unit | \$ 0 | 05/01/2018 | | A | 2,509 (2) | 01/29/2021 05/01/2025 | Common Stock | 2,509 |
| Restricted Stock Unit | \$ 0 | 05/01/2018 | | A | 836 | (5) 05/01/2025 | Common Stock | 836 |
| Stock Option | \$ 305.46 | 05/01/2018 | | A | 2,622 | (6) 05/01/2025 | Common Stock | 2,622 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Dreyer Michael L 3005 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | | | Chief Operations Officer | |

Signatures

Denise West, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael Dreyer 05/03/2018

__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) The information in this report is based on 401(k)/ESOP Plan statement dated as of March 31, 2018.

Performance-based restricted stock units (PRsUs) are subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting. Subject to the approval of the Compensation Committee (or Board), the amount of RSUs that will be deemed earned will be based: (i) 50% on the Company's achievement of total shareholder return for calendar years 2018, 2019 and 2020, as compared against the Company's designated Peer

(2) Group, subject to the discretion of the Compensation Committee (or Board); and (ii) 50% on Compensation Committee (or Board) discretionary assessment of management execution of strategic objectives relating to the Company's Transformation Office and other initiatives for calendar years 2018, 2019, and 2020. To the extent deemed earned at the end of the three-year performance period, these PRsUs will be subject to additional time-based vesting and will vest on January 29, 2021.

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- (3) Each performance-based restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common Stock.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common Stock.
- (5) Restricted stock units are subject to annual vesting in four equal installments on the anniversary date of the grant, 25% on each of the successive anniversary dates.
- (6) Stock options are subject to annual vesting in four equal installments on the anniversary date of the grant, 25% on each of the successive anniversary dates.

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