

HILL VERNON W II  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
 HILL VERNON W II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP INC  
 [FRBK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP, INC., 50 S. 16TH STREET, SUITE 2400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/29/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/29/2018                           |  | C                              |   | 923,076   | A  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 6.5  |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,529,000   | I  | Trustee                           |

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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Trust Preferred Securities                 | \$ 6.5   | 03/29/2018                           |  | C                              | 6,000,000   | (1)  | (2)   | Common Stock | 923,076                    |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HILL VERNON W II  
C/O REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP, INC.  
50 S. 16TH STREET, SUITE 2400  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

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## Signatures

/s/ Vernon W.  
Hill, II

07/12/2018

\*\*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).

The Trust Preferred Securities were convertible into Common Stock at the option of the holder at a conversion price of \$6.50 (I) at any time on or after the last day of any calendar quarter beginning with the quarter ending on June 30, 2008, if, as of such last day of such calendar quarter, the closing sale price of the Common Stock for at least 20 trading days in a period of 30 consecutive trading days ending

(1) on the last trading day of such calendar quarter is more than 110% of the conversion price in effect on the last day of such calendar quarter, (ii) upon a change of control of the issuer, (iii) at any time after June 30, 2009, and (iv) on the business day immediately preceding the date of repayment of such Trust Preferred Securities, whether at stated maturity or upon redemption. The Trust Preferred Securities were called for redemption effective March 31, 2018.

(2) The Trust Preferred Securities originally had a 30-year term and were called for redemption as of the close of business on March 31, 2018.

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