First California Financial Group, Inc.

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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 First California Financial Group, Inc. [FCAL]  **ANTHONY THOMAS E** (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1880 CENTURY PARK EAST, (Check all applicable) **SUITE 800** (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 & Head Commercial Person LOS ANGELES, Â CAÂ 90067 Banking Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 27,253 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 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 5. 6. Nature of Indirect **Expiration Date** (Instr. 4) Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/19/2008	06/19/2011	Common Stock	8,952	\$ 6.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/23/2009	04/23/2012	Common Stock	8,056	\$ 11.32	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	04/14/2011	Common Stock	8,952	\$ 11.73	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/01/2014	Common Stock	8,952	\$ 11.73	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ANTHONY THOMAS E 1880 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 800	Â	Â	EVP & Head Commercial	Â		
LOS ANGELES, CA 90067			Banking			

### **Signatures**

/s/ Romolo Santarosa, Attorney-in-Fact 03/12/2007

\*\*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).
- (1) The option provides for vesting in three equal annual installments beginning April 14, 2008.
- (2) The option provides for vesting in three equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2009.

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