

SVB FINANCIAL GROUP  
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 \*  
Parsons Joan

(Last) (First) (Middle)

SVB FINANCIAL GROUP, 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)

05/20/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Head of Specialty Banking

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/20/2015		G	V 240 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 0	17,729	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2015		A	V 217 <sup>(2)</sup> A \$ 97.861	17,946	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2015		M	4,500 A <sup>(3)</sup>	22,446	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2015		F	1,658 <sup>(4)</sup> D \$ 119.77	20,788	D	
Common Stock					5,840 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By 401(k)/ESOP

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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	12/21/2015		M	4,500	12/20/2015 04/30/2020	Common Stock	4,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Parsons Joan SVB FINANCIAL GROUP 3005 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054			Head of Specialty Banking	

## Signatures

Denise West, Attorney-in-fact for Joan Parsons  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 12/23/2015  
 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) Charitable donation of 240 shares held by reporting person.
- (2) These shares were acquired under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan in transactions that were exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(c).
- (3) Each performance-based restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common Stock.
- (4) Shares withheld by Issuer for payment of tax liability incurred upon vesting of performance-based restricted stock units.

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(5) The information in this report is based on 401(k)/ESOP Plan statement dated as of September 30, 2015.

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