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 Person *

À POHLAD ROBERT C

(Last)

(First) (Middle) Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/12/2007

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

First California Financial Group, Inc. [FCAL]

4000 DAIN RAUSCHER PLAZA, 60 SOUTH SIXTH

STREET

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director Officer (give title below) (specify below)

_X__ 10% Owner Other

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MINNEAPOLIS. MNÂ 55402

(City) (State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

841,777 (1) (2)

D

SEC 1473 (7-02)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock	(6)	(5)	Common Stock	333	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POHLAD ROBERT C

4000 DAIN RAUSCHER PLAZA
60 SOUTH SIXTH STREET

MINNEAPOLIS, MNÂ 55402

Signatures

Jay L. Kim, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert C. Pohlad

03/22/2007

**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).
- The reporting person is a party to a Securities Purchase and Option Agreement dated December 15, 2006 by and among David Brown,
 James O. Pohlad, Robert C. Pohlad and William M. Pohlad ("Brown Agreement") by which the reporting person is required to purchase certain shares as more fully described therein. A copy of the Brown Agreement can be found as an exhibit to the reporting person's Schedule 13D, as amended.
- The reporting person is a party to a Securities Purchase and Option Agreement dated December 19, 2005 by and among Scott A.

 Montgomery, James O. Pohlad, Robert C. Pohlad and William M. Pohlad ("Montgomery Agreement") by which the reporting person is required to purchase certain shares of common stock as more fully described therein. A copy of the Montgomery Agreement can be found as an exhibit to the reporting person's Schedule 13D, as amended.
- Each share of the Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock results from a conversion of equal shares of National Mercantile

 (3) Bancorp Series B Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock pursuant to a merger agreement between National Mercantile Bancorp and FCB Bancorp, dated June 15, 2006.
- (4) The Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock is convertible into such number of shares of common stock of the Company as was set for the Series B Convertible Perpetual Stock prior to the merger.
- (5) No date
- (6) Exercisable immediately

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