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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 *

Wallace Bruce

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

3005 TASMAN DRIVE

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

4. Securities

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

(State)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

below) Chief Ops Officer

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

Estimated average

burden hours per

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	04/27/2011		A <u>(1)</u>	3,000	12/20/2013	12/20/2013	Common Stock	3,000
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	04/27/2011		A(2)	1,000	04/27/2012	04/27/2015	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options	\$ 60.37	04/27/2011		A(3)	6,000	04/27/2012	04/27/2018	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Wallace Bruce

3005 TASMAN DRIVE Chief Ops Officer SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Signatures

Lisa Bertolet as attorney 04/29/2011

**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 reporting person was granted performance-based restricted stock units which are subject to performance and time-based vesting (PRSUs). The extent to which the PRSU awards are earned will be based on the Company's 2011 performance, as determined pursuant to

- the sole discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The reported number of shares is the maximum number of shares that may be earned by the reporting person, based on achievement of 150% of target performance. The PRSUs are effective as of 4/27/2011, and to the extent deemed earned at the end of the 2011 performance period, will vest on 12/20/2013, subject to continued service.
- (2) Restricted Stock Units vest 25% annually over 4 years from date of grant.
- (3) Stock Options vest 25% annually over 4 years from date of grant.

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