

Descheneaux Michael  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Descheneaux Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 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)  
 05/04/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/04/2011		M	5,100 A	\$ 46.42 8,152	D	
Common stock	05/04/2011		M	2,000 A	\$ 27.84 10,152	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2011		S	300 D	\$ 59.45 9,852	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2011		S	300 D	\$ 59.41 9,552	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2011		S	2,600 D	\$ 59.4 6,952	D	

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Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	100	D	\$ 59.32	6,852	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	100	D	\$ 59.3	6,752	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	316	D	\$ 59.285	6,436	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	284	D	\$ 59.285	6,152	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	1,100	D	\$ 59.28	5,052	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	288	D	\$ 59.51	4,764	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	200	D	\$ 59.5	4,564	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	300	D	\$ 59.41	4,264	D
Common Stock	05/04/2011	S	1,212	D	\$ 59.4	3,052	D

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 46.42	05/04/2011		M	5,100	11/09/2007 11/09/2013	Stock Options	5,100
Stock Options	\$ 27.84	05/04/2011		M	2,000	11/20/2010 05/12/2016	Common Stock	2,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Descheneaux Michael 3005 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054			CFO	

## Signatures

Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact	05/06/2011
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  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).

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