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FORM 3

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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 *

(Last)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

Jones David A

(First)

(Middle)

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

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/24/2008

SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Director

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3003 TASMAN DRIVE

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

SANTA CLARA, Â CAÂ 95054

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Credit Officer

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

10% Owner

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 4. 5. 6. Nature of Indirect Security **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 4) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security: Date Exercisable Expiration Security Direct (D) Date Amount or or Indirect Title Number of (I) Shares (Instr. 5)

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Incentive Stock Option	04/20/2001(1)	04/20/2010	common stock	624	\$ 23.688	D	Â
non qualified stock option	04/20/2001(1)	04/20/2010	common stock	1,876	\$ 23.688	D	Â
incentive stock option	03/14/2002(1)	03/14/2011	common stock	3,751	\$ 26.063	D	Â
non qualified stock option	03/14/2002(1)	03/14/2011	common stock	11,249	\$ 26.063	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Jones David A 3003 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054	Â	Â	Chief Credit Officer	Â	

Signatures

Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact 07/31/2008

**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) stock options vest in 4 equal installments over 4 years

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