First Foundation Inc. Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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First Foundation Inc. [FFWM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROSENBERG MITCHELL M.

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 18101 VON KARMAN, SUITE 700 02/28/2017

Symbol

(Street)

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

IRVINE, CA 92612

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

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

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

Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(A)

or

4. Securities

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

37,816 (1)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

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0.5

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

by trust

Common stock

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(2)</u> | 02/28/2017 | | A | 915 | 05/28/2017 | 05/28/2017 | Common stock | 915 |
| Option | \$ 5 (3) | | | | | 09/17/2010 | 09/16/2017 | Common Stock | 15,000 (3) |
| Option | \$ 7.5 <u>(3)</u> | | | | | 01/27/2012 | 01/26/2019 | Common Stock | 3,000 (3) |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROSENBERG MITCHELL M. 18101 VON KARMAN **SUITE 700 IRVINE, CA 92612**

X

Signatures

'/s/ John M Michel attorney in fact for Mitchell M Rosenberg'

03/02/2017

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- On January 18, 2017 First Foundation Inc.'s common stock split 2 for 1, resulting in the reporting person's indirect ownership of 18,908 additional shares of common stock as of such date
- (2) Restricted stock unit grant, no exercise price
- On January 18, 2017 First Foundation Inc.'s common stock split 2 for 1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of twice as many options with an exercise price being reduced by 50% as of such date

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