

NOBLE ROBERT STANLEY

Form 4

February 28, 2019

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NOBLE ROBERT STANLEY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

18101 VON KARMAN, SUITE 700

(Street)

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
First Foundation Inc. [FFWM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/26/2019

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Lending Officer

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

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Common stock                    | 02/26/2019                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 2,045  | A          | 11    | 109,888                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common stock                    | 02/27/2019                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 1,539  | A          | 11    | 111,427                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common stock                    | 02/28/2019                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 1,687  | A          | 11    | 113,114                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                                       |

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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) |                 |              |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                                       | (A)                                                      | (D) | Date Exercisable                                              | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | (1)                                                    | 02/26/2019                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                                         | 4,090                                                    |     | 02/26/2020                                                    | 02/26/2021      | Common stock | 4,090                      |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | (1)                                                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         |                                                          |     | 02/27/2020                                                    | 02/27/2020      | Common stock | 1,539                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                            | Relationships                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                           | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| NOBLE ROBERT STANLEY<br>18101 VON KARMAN<br>SUITE 700<br>IRVINE, CA 92612 | Chief Lending Officer            |

## Signatures

'/s/ John Michel attorney in fact for Robert S Noble' 02/28/2019

\_\_\_\_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).

(1) Restricted stock unit grant, no exercise price

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