BENHAMOU ERIC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BENHAMOU ERIC**

(Street)

(Stata)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title

3003 TASMAN DRIVE

02/02/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

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

Person

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

| (City) | (State) | 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. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | spose | d of (D) | 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) |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2006 | | P | 4,000 | A | \$ 49.437 | 4,000 | I | by Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 2,000 | I | By self restricted |

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | . | ate | 7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr. | nt of lying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| r g | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| BENHAMOU ERIC | | | | | | | |
| 3003 TASMAN DRIVE | X | | | | | | |
| SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

By: Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact For: Eric A.

Benhamou

02/03/2006

**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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