

WITTE DEREK  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WITTE DEREK**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
3003 TASMAN DRIVE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/30/2005

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
General Counsel / General Counsel

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/30/2005                           |  | J(1)                           | 1,172 A \$ 0  | 4,526   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/30/2005                           |  | J(2)                           | 418 D \$ 49.85  | 4,108   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 301   | I  | By self in 401k/ESOP              |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | \$ 0   | 12/30/2005                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1,172   | 11/02/2005 11/03/2008                                    | Common Stock  | 1,172                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |                 |                 |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other           |
| WITTE DEREK<br>3003 TASMAN DRIVE<br>SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 |               |           | General Counsel | General Counsel |

## Signatures

By: Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact For: Derek Witte

01/04/2006

\*\*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).

(1) The first tranche of a restricted stock unit grant has vested and shares of common stock have been issued.

(2) The reporting person surrendered company stock to pay for taxes associated with the vesting of a previously reported restricted stock unit.

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