

Leavell Christopher Michael
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Leavell Christopher Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY

(Street)

SANTA ANA, CA 92707

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

First American Financial Corp [FAF]

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

02/22/2019

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)

COO of Subsidiary

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

___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 02/22/2019 | | A | | 45,097 | A | \$ 0 |
| Common Stock | 02/22/2019 | | F(1) | | 13,660 | D | \$ 51.61 |
| Common Stock | 02/25/2019 | | F(1) | | 5,082 | D | \$ 51.28 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,137.281 |

by 401(k) Plan Trust (7)

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Leavell Christopher Michael 1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY SANTA ANA, CA 92707 | | | COO of Subsidiary | |

Signatures

/s/ Greg L. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact for Christopher M. Leavell
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Date 02/26/2019

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) Payment of tax liability by withholding securities incident to the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (2) Includes 14,309 unvested Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") acquired pursuant to an original grant of 52,067 RSUs and shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment, vesting in four equal annual increments commencing 2/23/17, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (3) Includes 24,552 unvested RSUs acquired pursuant to an original grant of 46,131 RSUs and shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment, vesting in four equal annual increments commencing 2/22/18, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (4) Includes 31,132 unvested RSUs acquired pursuant to an original grant of 40,241 RSUs and shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment, vesting in four equal annual increments commencing 2/21/19, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (5) Includes 45,097 unvested RSUs acquired pursuant to a grant vesting in four equal increments commencing 2/22/20, the first anniversary of the grant.

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- Pursuant to a domestic relations agreement, a portion of the reporting person's shares and certain RSUs are held by the reporting person
- (6) for the benefit of his ex-wife, who will receive either shares or the cash proceeds generated from the sale of applicable shares, after any applicable vesting and/or exercise.

- Amount shown consists of shares contributed by issuer as company match, shares purchased for the reporting person's account and shares
- (7) acquired through automatic reinvestment of dividends paid as reported in most recent account statement in transactions exempt under rules 16a-3(f)(1)(i)(B) and 16b-3(c).

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