

BENSON DONALD E  
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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 \*  
BENSON DONALD E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
First California Financial Group, Inc.  
[FCAL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/30/2013

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

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	01/30/2013		A	1,873 (1)	A	\$ 0	94,687 (2)	D

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)

Table with 9 columns: 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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4).

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Entry: BENSON DONALD E, 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361. Relationships: Director, 10% Owner (marked with X), Officer, Other.

Signatures

/s/ Romolo Santarosa, Attorney-in-Fact, Date: 02/01/2013

\*\*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) Represents restricted stock that will vest in one-third increments annually on each of January 30, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Includes previously reported 3,597 shares of restricted stock granted on January 25, 2012 that will vest in one-third increments annually on each of January 25, 2013, 2014 and 2015, 3,969 shares of restricted stock that vest in one-third increments annually on each of March 16, 2012, 2013 and 2014 and 3,045 shares of restricted stock that vest in one-third increments annually on each of February 25, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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