

GIPSON ROBERT E  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**GIPSON ROBERT 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)  
**03/24/2010**

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)  
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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	03/24/2010		P	A	\$ 10,000	55,280 <sup>(1)</sup>	I IRA

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. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
							Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

GIPSON ROBERT E  
3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300    X  
WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361

## Signatures

/s/ Romolo Santarosa,    03/24/2010  
Attorney-in-Fact

\_\_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).

Includes previously reported 3045 shares of restricted stock granted on February 25, 2009 that will vest in one-third increments annually (1) on each of February 25, 2010, 2011 and 2012 and 1,765 shares of restricted stock granted on March 19, 2008 that vest in one-third increments annually on each of March 19, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

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