

China John  
Form 5  
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# FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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Form 3 Holdings Reported Form 4 Transactions Reported

**ANNUAL 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

|   |         |          |  |   |
|---|---------|----------|--|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol                  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |
| China John                                |         |          | SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]                                   | (Check all applicable)  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  |
| 3005 TASMAN DRIVE                         |         |          | 12/31/2011   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)                                   |
| (Street)                                  |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)         | Head of Relationship Mgmt   |
| SANTA CLARA, CA 95054                     |         |          |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)  |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)    |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person |

**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |  |  |                                   |

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 | 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) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |                                    |                                      |  |                                |   |  |   |

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| Performance Based Restricted Stock Unit | Derivative Security |            |            |                  | or Disposed of (D) |     | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Am or Num of Sha |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|------------------|--------------------|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
|   |                     |            |            |                  | (A)                | (D) |                  |                 |              |                  |
|   | \$ 0                | 01/25/2012 | 12/31/2011 | J <sup>(1)</sup> | 1,000              |     | 12/20/2013       | 12/20/2013      | Common Stock | 1,               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                           | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| China John<br>3005 TASMAN DRIVE<br>SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | ^             | ^         | ^ Head of Relationship Mgmt | ^     |

## Signatures

Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact  
Date: 02/15/2012

\*\*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).
- This award represents the portion of a previously-reported performance-based restricted stock unit grant that was deemed earned by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors on 1/25/12. The grant was originally reported on a Form 4 in May 2011, with a maximum award of 150% of target. 50% of target was deemed earned and is subject to further time-based vesting until 12/20/13.

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