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First Foundation Inc.	
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March 27, 2019	

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 27, 2019

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-36461 20-8639702 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

File Number)

of incorporation) Identification Number)

18101 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 700

Irvine, California 92612

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 202-4160

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17

CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement

communications

pursuant to Rule

13e-4(c) under the

Exchange Act (17

CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Item Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

5.02

On March 22, 2018, Martha Corbett submitted her resignation from the Board of Directors and from her role as Audit Committee Chair of First Foundation Inc. (the "Company") and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, First Foundation Bank (the "Bank") and First Foundation Advisors ("FFA"), effective immediately. The decision of Ms. Corbett to resign was not the result of any disagreement with the Company, the Bank or FFA on any matter relating to the respective operations, policies or practices of the Company, the Bank or FFA.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated March 27, 2019.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

Date: March 27, 2019 By: /s/ JOHN M. MICHEL

John M. Michel

Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer