STEIN JEFFREY S.

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEIN JEFFREY S.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Performant Financial Corp [PFMT]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O PARTHENON CAPITAL PARTNERS, FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER,

SUITE 3610

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (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)

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| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | | 7. Title and Amount of | | 8. Pr |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|-----------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration D (Month/Day/ | | Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | | Deriv Secu (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Units | \$ 0.5 | 08/10/2012 | | A | 16,000 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 16,000 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

Relationships

STEIN JEFFREY S. C/O PARTHENON CAPITAL PARTNERS FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER, SUITE 3610 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

X

Signatures

/s/ Carol Anne Huff as Attorney-in-Fact

08/14/2012

**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).
- (1) The reported stock units entitle the reporting person to receive on the settlement date a distribution of common stock equal in value to the amount by which the then value of the issuer's common stock exceeds the base value of \$0.50.

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