

Performant Financial Corp  
 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**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KESSINGER WILLIAM C**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PARTHENON CAPITAL PARTNERS, FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER, SUITE 3610

(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Performant Financial Corp [PFMT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/25/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                                      |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share | 11/25/2013                           |  | S                              |   | 1,980,322   | D  | \$ 10.2                                    |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   | 15,709,902  | I  |  |

See footnote (1)

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KESSINGER WILLIAM C<br>C/O PARTHENON CAPITAL PARTNERS<br>FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER, SUITE 3610<br>SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 | X             | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

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

11/27/2013

\_\_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).

The reported shares are owned of record by Parthenon DCS Holdings, LLC ("DCS Holdings"). PCP Managers, LLC is the managing member of PCap II, LLC, which is the managing member of PCap Partners II, LLC, which is the general partner of Parthenon Investors II, L.P., which is the manager of DCS Holdings. Mr. Kessinger is a Managing Member of PCP Managers, LLC and a Managing Director of Parthenon Capital Partners, a private equity firm and affiliate of PCap Partners II, LLC, and therefore may be deemed to beneficially own the shares owned of record by DCS Holdings. Mr. Kessinger disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Kessinger is the beneficial owner of such shares for the purpose of Section 16 or for any other purpose, except, in each case, to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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