Hilltop Holdings Inc. Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading FORD GERALD J Issuer Symbol Hilltop Holdings Inc. [HTH] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director X 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 02/23/2016 below) 1350 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75201 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/23/2016		A	30,000 (1)	A	\$0	67,866	D	
Common Stock							7,950 (2)	I	By trust
Common Stock							15,544,674 (3)	I	By Diamond A Financial, LP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				C-1- V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FORD GERALD J 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1350 DALLAS, TX 75201	X	X				

Signatures

/s/ Gerald J.
Ford

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Represents restricted stock units granted to the reporting person. Such restricted stock units will vest, and an equal number of shares of common stock will be deliverable to the reporting person, upon the third anniversary of the date of grant, February 23, 2019, or immediately upon the earlier occurrence of events specified in the reporting person's restricted stock unit award agreement, including a "change in control" of Hilltop Holdings Inc. The shares of common stock deliverable upon conversion of such restricted stock units will

- "change in control" of Hilltop Holdings Inc. The shares of common stock deliverable upon conversion of such restricted stock units will be subject to restrictions on transfer until the first anniversary of the vesting date of the restricted stock units, February 23, 2020, or an earlier "change in control" of Hilltop Holdings Inc.
- Represents securities owned directly by Turtle Creek Revocable Trust, a revocable trust for the benefit of the members of his family (the (2) "Trust"), and indirectly by the reporting person as the settlor of the Trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) Represents securities owned directly by Diamond A Financial, LP and indirectly by the reporting person as a general partner of Diamond A Financial, LP. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary

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