Lee Robert Darren Form 4 March 25, 2019

# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and . Lee Robert	Address of Repo	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PROOFPOINT INC [PFPT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O PROOFPOINT, INC., 892 ROSS DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/24/2019	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specification) below)  SVP, GM Archiving & Governance			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
SUNNYVALE, CA 94089				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
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(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/24/2019		Code V $M_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 1,250	(D)	Price \$ 0	1,250	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2019		M(2)	1,250	A	\$ 0	2,500	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2019		F(3)	1,108	D	\$ 119.9	1,392	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number tioms 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	03/24/2019		M <u>(1)</u>		1,250	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,250	9
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	03/24/2019		M(2)		1,250	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,250	\$

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lee Robert Darren C/O PROOFPOINT, INC. 892 ROSS DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Robert Darren Lee by Michael Yang, Attorney-in-Fact

03/25/2019

\*\*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) Vesting of restricted stock units ("RSUs") earned by the Reporting Person on June 21, 2016 as a result of the Reporting Person having met certain performance criteria.
- (2) Vesting of RSUs earned by the Reporting Person on May 1, 2017 as a result of the Reporting Person having met certain performance
- (3) Exempt transaction pursuant to Section 16b-3(e) payment of exercise price or tax liability by delivering or withholding securities incident to the receipt, exercise or vesting of a security issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3. All of the shares reported as disposed of in

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this Form 4 were relinquished by the Reporting Person and cancelled by the Issuer in exchange for the Issuer's agreement to pay federal and state tax withholding obligations of the Reporting Person resulting from the vesting of RSUs. The Reporting Person did not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the shares reported on this Form 4 for any reason other than to cover required taxes.

- (4) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive 1 share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon settlement for no consideration.
- The RSUs vest as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on June 21, 2016 and thereafter will vest as to 1/4th of the total number of shares (5) in equal annual installments beginning on March 24, 2017. Shares of the Issuer's common stock will be delivered to the Reporting Person following vesting.
- The RSUs vest as to 1/2 of the total number of shares on May 1, 2017 and thereafter will vest as to 1/4th of the total number of shares in equal annual installments beginning on March 24, 2018. Shares of the Issuer's common stock will be delivered to the Reporting Person following vesting.

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