Performant Financial Corp Form 3 April 17, 2017 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB APPROVAL OMB Number: 3235-0104

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Johnston Ian			 Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Performant Financial Corp [PFMT]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/06/2017	7	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
333 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY (Street) LIVERMORE, CA 94551					(Check all applicable)				
				Director 10% Owner X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) See Remarks		•	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	lon-Derivat	tive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity			2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Common Sto	ock, par val	ue \$0.0001	per share	24,121		D	Â		
Reminder: Repo		te line for ea	ch class of sec	urities benefici	ally S	EC 1473 (7-02)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of C	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Options	(1)	08/10/2022	Common stock	54,979	\$ 10.6	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	08/13/2024	Common stock	6,250	\$ 0	D	Â
Performance Stock Units	(<u>3)</u>	03/17/2025	Common stock	5,750	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	06/18/2025	Common stock	45,000	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	02/22/2026	Common stock	33,750	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	04/06/2027	Common stock	60,000	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Johnston Ian 333 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY LIVERMORE. CA 94551	Â	Â	See Remarks	Â		

Signatures

PERFORMANT FINANCIAL CORPORATION, By: /s/ Hakan L. Orvell, Attorney-in-Fact for Ian Johnston

**Signature of Reporting Person

04/17/2017

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 Stock Option award was granted on 08/10/2012. The option award vests as to 1/5th of the total number of shares subject to the option
 (1) 12 months after the vesting commencement date, and the remaining shares vest at a rate of 1/60th of the total number of shares subject to the option each month thereafter provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 08/13/2014. The restricted stock unit award vests at a rate of 25% annually on the first,
 (2) second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- Performance Stock Unit award was granted on 03/17/2015. The performance stock award vested as to 50% of the covered shares on March 5, 2016 and as to 25% of the covered shares on March 5, 2017 and will vest as to 25% of the covered shares on March 5, 2018.
- Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 06/18/2015. The restricted stock unit award vests at a rate of 25% annually on the first,(4) second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 02/22/16. 25% of the shares vested on March 7, 2017, with 25% more vesting on each of the
 (5) first, second and third anniversaries of the initial vest date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.

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(6) Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 04/06/17. The restricted stock unit award vests at a rate of 25% annually on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.

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Remarks:

Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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