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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Lee Robert Darren Issuer Symbol PROOFPOINT INC [PFPT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O PROOFPOINT, INC., 892 02/07/2019 below) **ROSS DRIVE** SVP, GM Archiving & Governance (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 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 SUNNYVALE, CA 94089 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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	02/07/2019		M	1,000	A	\$ 57.49	6,698	D			
Common Stock	02/07/2019		M	1,333	A	\$ 50.93	8,031	D			
Common Stock	02/07/2019		S	2,333	D	\$ 114.4701	5,698	D			
Common Stock	02/07/2019		S	5,698 (1)	D	\$ 114.4074 (2)	0	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 Deriva Securi (Instr.	tive ty	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 op for Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Stock	qualified Option to buy)	\$ 57.49	02/07/2019		M	1,000	(3)	04/06/2025	Common Stock	1,000
Stock	qualified Coption to buy)	\$ 50.93	02/07/2019		M	1,333	<u>(4)</u>	04/08/2026	Common Stock	1,333

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

02/07/2019

**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) Represents the aggregate of sales effected on the same day at different prices.
- (2) Represents the weighted average sales price per share. The shares sold at prices ranging from \$114.40 to \$114.45 per share. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price shall be provided upon request to the staff of the U.S. Securities and

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Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

- (3) The stock option vested and became exercisable as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on February 1, 2016 and thereafter shall vest and become exercisable as to 1/48th of the total number of shares in equal monthly installments.
- (4) The stock option vested and became exercisable as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on February 1, 2017 and thereafter shall vest and become exercisable as to 1/48th of the total number of shares in equal monthly installments.

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