

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION
Washington, D.C. 20429

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 6, 2018

FIRST REPUBLIC BANK

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

80-0513856
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

111 Pine Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111
(Address, including zip code, of principal executive office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (415) 392-1400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events

Certain officers of First Republic Bank (the “Bank”) presented at the Raymond James Institutional Investor Conference on March 6, 2018 and spoke to, among other things, the Bank’s net interest margin and efficiency ratio. The Bank is reiterating its previously provided guidance.

The Bank continues to expect its net interest margin to be within the range of 2.85% to 2.95% for the full year 2018, which factors in the effects of the newly adopted tax reform legislation. In addition, the Bank continues to expect an efficiency ratio within the range of 63% to 64% for the full year 2018. It is not providing any guidance for 2019.

Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts, such as forecasts of the Bank's future financial results and condition, and the underlying assumptions of such forecasts. Such information involves risks and uncertainties that could result in the Bank's actual results differing materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. In this report, we make forward-looking statements regarding management's expectations about certain financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2018, all of which are based on certain assumptions. Although management believes that the expectations reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable and has based these expectations on our current knowledge, beliefs and assumptions, such expectations are not guarantees, may prove to be incorrect, and are necessarily subject to associated risks. For information about important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in such forward-looking statements, please refer to our public reports filed with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, including our most recently-filed quarterly or annual report. The forward-looking statements included in this filing are made only as of the date of this filing and the Bank undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances that arise after the date such statements are made.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 6, 2018.

First Republic Bank

By: /s/ Michael J. Roffler
Name: Michael J. Roffler
Title: Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer