FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* $\underline{Bass\ Kevin\ R}$			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2019		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTH PLAINS FINANCIAL, INC. [SPFI]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5219 CITY BANK PARKWAY			33/03/2013		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Cofficer (give title Other (specify below))		er (N	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street) LUBBOCK					Chief Credit Officer					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
			Table I - Noi	n-Deriva	tive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect (Instr. 5)	ct (D) (In:	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock					24,900	D				
Common Stock					42,582	I	by ESOP ⁽¹⁾			
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			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares held by the ESOP and allocated to Mr. Bass's account.
- 2. These stock options are fully exercisable.

<u>/s/ Kevin R. Bass</u> <u>05/09/2019</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person D

Date

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

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