FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Deterding Kelly L.			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)			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
5219 CITY BANK PARKWAY					Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street)					Pres of Windmark Insurance X Form filed by One Reporting Persor Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				y One Reporting Person		
LUBBOCK	TX	79407-3544									
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
		-	Table I - Noi	า-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)	t (D) (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership		
Common Stock					18,046	I	by E	SOP ⁽¹⁾			
		(e.			ve Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		s)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		str. 4)	2. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) C		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
					Amount or Number	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
			Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title	of Shares					
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/201	9 Common Stock	3,000	9.49	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	0 Common Stock	1,500	10.03	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	1 Common Stock	1,500	11.03	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	2 Common Stock	1,500	12.03	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	3 Common Stock	1,500	10.33	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	4 Common Stock	1,500	5.88	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	5 Common Stock	1,500	8.6	D			
Stock Options	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	6 Common Stock	1,500	10.93	D			
0 10 1	(right to buy)		(2)	12/31/202	7 Common Stock	1,500	12.24	D			

Explanation of Responses:

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

/s/ Kelly L. Deterding 05/09/2019

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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