Ford James Steven Form 4 March 21, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ford James Steven

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STONEMOR PARTNERS LP

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/19/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS L.P., 3600 HORIZON

(First)

BOULEVARD

(Last)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below) COO and Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TREVOSE, PA 19053

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/ | ate | 7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Phantom Units | (1) | 03/19/2018 | | A | 13,647 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Units | 13,647 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ford James Steven C/O STONEMOR PARTNERS L.P. 3600 HORIZON BOULEVARD TREVOSE, PA 19053

COO and Senior Vice President

De Sec (In

Signatures

/s/ Shirley Herman, Attorney-in-Fact

03/21/2018

**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) (or first business day thereafter) commencing on April 3, 2019 pursuant to a Key Employee Unit Agreement, entered into as of March 19, 2018, by and between StoneMor GP and the reporting person. Each such phantom unit represents a contingent right to receive one common unit representing a limited partner interest or, at the discretion of the compensation committee of the Board of Directors of StoneMor GP, the cash equivalent of the fair market value of a common unit, in each case, conditioned upon satisfying certain time and other conditions.

On March 19, 2018, the reporting person was granted 13,647 phantom units vesting in three equal annual installments on each April 3

Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission (a) that the person filing this statement is, for the purposes of Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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