

Avinger Inc  
Form DEFA14A  
April 25, 2017

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**

**PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

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Check the appropriate box:

Preliminary Proxy Statement

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Definitive Proxy Statement

Definitive Additional Materials

Soliciting Material Pursuant to §240.14a-11(c) or §240.14a-2

**AVINGER, INC.**

**(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)**

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No fee required.

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on June 14, 2017.**

**AVINGER, INC.**

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting

**For holders as of:** April 19, 2017

**Date:** June 14, 2017  
**Time:** 1:00 PM Pacific Time

600 Chesapeake Drive

**Location:**

Redwood City,  
California 94063

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

*AVINGER, INC.  
400 CHESAPEAKE DRIVE  
REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063*

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

**See the reverse side of this  
notice to obtain proxy  
materials and voting  
instructions.**

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## **Before You Vote**

How to Access the  
Proxy Materials

### **Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT  
FORM 10-K

#### **How to View Online:**

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

#### **How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:**

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- 1) *BY INTERNET*: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- 2) *BY TELEPHONE*: 1-800-579-1639  
(Toll - Free)
- 3) *BY E-MAIL*\*: [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

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Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before May 31, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

## **How To Vote**

Please Choose One  
of the Following  
Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:**

Many stockholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

**Vote By**

**Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

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**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors  
recommends you vote  
FOR the following:**

To elect two Class II  
directors to serve until  
the 2020 annual

1. meeting of stockholders  
and until their  
successors are duly  
elected and qualified.

**Nominees:**

1a. Donald A. Lucas

1b. James B. McElwee

**The Board of Directors  
recommends you vote  
FOR the following  
proposal:**

To ratify the appointment  
of Ernst & Young LLP as  
our independent

2. registered public  
accounting firm for our  
fiscal year ending  
December 31, 2017.

**NOTE:** To transact such  
other business as may  
properly come before the  
Annual Meeting or any  
adjournments or  
postponements thereof.

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