

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**RED VIOLET, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**2650 North Military Trail, Suite 300**  
**Boca Raton, Florida**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**82-2408531**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**33431**  
(Zip Code)

**RED VIOLET, INC. 2018 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN**  
(Full title of the plan)

**Joshua Weingard, Esq.**  
**Corporate Counsel and Corporate Secretary**  
**2650 North Military Trail, Suite 300**  
**Boca Raton, Florida 33431**  
(Name and address of agent for service)

**(561) 757-4000**  
(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

*With a copy to:*  
**Michael Francis, Esq.**  
**Christina C. Russo, Esq.**  
**Akerman LLP**  
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**Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301**  
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company   
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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

| Title of securities to be registered | Amount to be registered(1) | Proposed maximum offering price per share(2) | Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(2) | Amount of registration fee(2) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$0.001 par value      | 3,000,000                  | \$5.58                                       | \$16,740,000                                 | \$2,085                       |

(1) This Registration Statement also includes an indeterminate number of additional shares of common stock of Red Violet, Inc. (the "Company" or "Red Violet") as may be issuable pursuant to the Red Violet, Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions in accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933. Shares of common stock issuable under the Plan include awards of common stock to be issued in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance shares and performance units granted under the Plan.

(2) Calculated solely for purposes of determining the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act of 1933, based on the average of the high and low prices of the Company's common stock quoted on the Nasdaq Capital Market ("Nasdaq") on March 29, 2018.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Registration Statement registers shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value, of Red Violet, Inc. issuable pursuant to the Red Violet, Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan relating to equity grants that may be awarded by the Company in the ordinary course of business.

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**PART I**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS**

The document(s) containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to participants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). In accordance with Rule 428(b)(1) and the requirements of Part I of Form S-8, these documents are not required to be filed with the SEC either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act. Copies of the foregoing documents will be provided without charge upon written or oral request directed to the Corporate Secretary at the address and telephone number on the cover of this Registration Statement.

## PART II

### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### **Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.**

The SEC allows us to provide information about our business and other important information to you by “incorporating by reference” the information we file with the SEC, which means that we can disclose the information to you by referring in this prospectus to the documents we file with the SEC. Under the SEC’s regulations, any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference in this prospectus is automatically updated and superseded by any information contained in this prospectus, or in any subsequently filed document of the types described below.

We incorporate into this prospectus by reference the following documents filed by us with the SEC, each of which should be considered an important part of this prospectus:

- our Registration Statement on Form 10 filed with the SEC on February 28, 2018, as amended on March 5, 2018 and March 12, 2018, and declared effective by the SEC on March 15, 2018; and
- our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 27, 2018.

In addition, all documents subsequently filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than any such documents or portions thereof furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K, unless otherwise indicated therein, including any exhibits included with such Items), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this registration statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

We will provide to you, upon request, a copy of each of our filings at no cost. Please make your request by writing or telephoning us at the following address or telephone number:

Red Violet, Inc.  
Attn: Legal Department  
2650 North Military Trail, Suite 300  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431  
Tel: (561) 757-4000

You should rely only on the information incorporated by reference or provided in this prospectus or any supplement. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of those documents.

#### **Item 4. Description of Securities.**

Not applicable.

#### **Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.**

Not applicable.

#### **Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

Section 145(a) of the Delaware General Corporations Law (“DGCL”), which Red Violet is subject to, provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or

proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the person's conduct was unlawful. Section 145(b) of the DGCL provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper. To the extent that a present or former director or officer of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145 of the DGCL, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Under Article 6 of the bylaws, expenses (including attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by a director or officer of Red Violet or, if while serving as director or officer of Red Violet, was serving at the request of Red Violet as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, enterprise or nonprofit entity in defending any civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, will be paid by Red Violet in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding to the fullest extent not prohibited by applicable law, and, if required by law, upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that such person is not entitled to be indemnified by Red Violet as authorized in the bylaws. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, Section 145 of the DGCL and Article 6 of the bylaws are not exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any statute, provision of the certificate of incorporation, the bylaws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 145 of the DGCL also permits a corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under Section 145 of the DGCL.

Additionally, Article 9 of the certificate of incorporation provides that a director of Red Violet will not be liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the DGCL.

Red Violet carries directors and officers liability coverages designed to insure its officers and directors and those of its subsidiaries against certain liabilities incurred by them in the performance of their duties, and also providing for reimbursement in certain cases to Red Violet and its subsidiaries for sums paid to directors and officers as indemnification for similar liability. Red Violet has entered into Indemnification Agreements with its executive officers and directors providing for advancement of expenses and indemnification to the fullest extent permissible under DGCL.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to our directors, officers and controlling persons pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, Red Violet has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable.

**Item 7. Exemption From Registration Claimed.**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Exhibit Description</u>  |
|-----------------------|---|
| 5.1                   | <a href="#">Opinion of Akerman LLP.*</a>  |
| 10.1                  | <a href="#">Red Violet, Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 27, 2018). +</a> |
| 23.1                  | <a href="#">Consent of Akerman LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).*</a>  |
| 23.2                  | <a href="#">Consent of Grant Thornton LLP.*</a>   |
| 24.1                  | <a href="#">Power of Attorney (set forth on the signature page to this Registration Statement).*</a>  |

\* Filed herewith.

+ Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

**Item 9. Undertakings.**

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
  - i. To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - ii. To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement;
  - iii. To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i) and (1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (5) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

**SIGNATURES**

*The Registrant.* Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Boca Raton, Florida on the April 4, 2018.

**Red Violet, Inc.**

By: /s/ Derek Dubner  
Derek Dubner  
Chief Executive Officer

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Michael Brauser and Derek Dubner his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act or things requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully and to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| <u>Signature</u>                                  | <u>Title</u>   | <u>Date</u>   |
|---|--|---------------|
| <u>/s/ Michael Brauser</u><br>Michael Brauser     | Chairman   | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Derek Dubner</u><br>Derek Dubner           | Chief Executive Officer and Vice Chairman<br>(Principal Executive Officer) | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Daniel MacLachlan</u><br>Daniel MacLachlan | Chief Financial Officer<br>(Principal Financial Officer)                   | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Jacky Wang</u><br>Jacky Wang               | Chief Accounting Officer<br>(Principal Accounting Officer)                 | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Peter Benz</u><br>Peter Benz               | Director   | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Steven D. Rubin</u><br>Steven D. Rubin     | Director   | April 4, 2018 |
| <u>/s/ Robert Swayman</u><br>Robert Swayman       | Director   | April 4, 2018 |





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April 4, 2018

Red Violet, Inc.  
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Suite 300  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

**Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Red Violet, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement"), under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"). The Registration Statement relates to the offering and sale by the Company of up to 3,000,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Shares"), to be issued pursuant to awards ("Awards") to be granted under the Red Violet, Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

In connection with this opinion letter, we have examined the Registration Statement and such corporate records, documents, instruments and certificates of public officials and of the Company that we have deemed necessary for the purpose of rendering the opinions set forth herein. We have also reviewed such matters of law as we considered necessary or appropriate as a basis for the opinion set forth below.

This opinion letter is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 601 of Regulation S-K under the Act. This opinion letter is limited to the matters expressly stated herein and no opinions are to be inferred or implied beyond the opinions expressly so stated.

With your permission, we have made and relied upon the following assumptions, without any investigations or inquiry by us, and our opinion expressed below is subject to, and limited and qualified by the effect of, such assumptions: (i) all corporate records furnished to us by the Company are accurate and complete; (ii) the Registration Statement filed by the Company with the Commission is identical to the forms of the documents that we have reviewed; (iii) all statements as to factual matters that are contained in the Registration Statement (including the exhibits to the Registration Statement) are accurate and complete; (iv) the Company will at all times reserve a sufficient number of shares of its unissued common stock as is necessary to provide for the issuance of the Shares; and (v) with respect to documents that we reviewed in connection with this opinion letter, all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, all documents submitted to us as certified, facsimile or photostatic copies conform to originals of such documents, all such original documents are authentic, the signatures on all documents are genuine, and all natural persons who have executed any of the documents have the legal capacity to do so.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to further assumptions and qualifications set forth herein, it is our opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized, and that when the Shares are issued upon full payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Plan and any Awards made under the Plan, such Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable shares of the Company's common stock.

We express no opinion as to matters governed by laws of any jurisdiction other than the federal laws of the United States and the Delaware General Corporation Law. We neither express nor imply any obligation with respect to any other laws or the laws of any other jurisdiction or of the United States. For purposes of this opinion, we assume that the Shares will be issued in compliance with all applicable state securities or blue sky laws.

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We assume no obligation to update or supplement this opinion letter if any applicable laws change after date of this opinion letter or if we become aware after the date of this opinion letter of any facts, whether existing before or arising after the date hereof, that might change the opinions expressly so stated. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, we neither express nor imply any opinion regarding the contents of the Registration Statement, other than as expressly stated herein with respect to the Shares.

This opinion letter is furnished in connection with the filing of the Registration Statement and may not be relied upon for any other purpose without our prior written consent in each instance. Further no portion of this letter may be quoted, circulated or referred to in any other document for any other purpose without our prior written consent.

We consent to your filing a copy of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving such permission, we do not admit hereby that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act, or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Akerman LLP

**CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We have issued our report dated February 28, 2018 with respect to the consolidated and combined financial statements of Red Violet, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Forewarn, LLC, IDI Holdings, LLC and its wholly owned subsidiary, Interactive Data, LLC, as well as Cogint Technologies, LLC and IDI Verified, LLC included in the Registration Statement on Form 10 of Red Violet, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2017, which is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement. We consent to the incorporation by reference of the aforementioned report in this Registration Statement.

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

April 4, 2018