GULFPORT ENERGY CORP Form SC 13G May 03, 2018

## UNITED STATES

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934** 

#### **GULFPORT ENERGY CORPORATION**

(Name of Issuer) Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities) 402635304

(CUSIP Number) April 30, 2018

#### (Date of Event That Requires Filing of This Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

o Rule 13d-1 (b)

x Rule 13d-1 (c)

o Rule 13d-1 (d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, *see* the *Notes*).

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1.	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
2.	Ariel Warszawski CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (b) x GROUP
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1.	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
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3. 4.	(see instructions) SEC USE ONLY CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
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1.	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
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AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

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1.	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
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	GROUP
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9.	<b>9,015,646</b> Aggregate Amount

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

#### 9,015,646

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**5.2%** TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

#### **Gulfport Energy Corporation**

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

#### **3001 Quail Springs Parkway**

#### Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73134

Item 2(a). Name of Person(s) Filing:

This statement (the "Statement") is being filed by: (i) FVP Master Fund, L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership ("FVP Master Fund"), (ii) Firefly Value Partners, LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Firefly Partners"), which serves as the investment manager of FVP Master Fund, (iii) FVP GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("FVP GP"), which serves as the general partner of FVP Master Fund, (iv) Firefly Management Company GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Firefly Management"), which serves as the general partner of Firefly Partners, and (v) Messrs. Ryan Heslop and Ariel Warszawski, the managing members of FVP GP and Firefly Management (all of the foregoing, collectively, "Reporting Persons"). FVP Master Fund is a private investment vehicle formed for the purpose of investing and trading in a wide variety of securities and financial instruments. FVP Master Fund directly owns all of the shares reported in this Statement. Messrs. Heslop and Warszawski, Firefly Partners, Firefly Management and FVP GP may be deemed to share with FVP Master Fund voting and dispositive power with respect to such shares.

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office, or, if None, Residence:

#### The Principal Business Office of FVP Master Fund is:

c/o dms Corporate Services, Ltd.

P.O. Box 1344

dms House

**20** Genesis Close

Grand Cayman, KY1-1108

**Cayman Islands** 

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# The Principal Business Officer of Messrs. Heslop and Warszawski, Firefly Partners, FVP GP and Firefly Management is:

#### 601 West 26th Street, Suite 1520

#### New York, NY 10001

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

# For citizenship information see Item 4 of the cover sheet of each Reporting Person.

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

# Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

402635304

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Item 3. If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:

(a) o Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780)

(b) o Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)

(c) o Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)

(d) o Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8)

(e) oAn investment adviser in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)

(f) oAn employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)

(g) oA parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G)

(h)oA savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)

(i) o A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3)

(j) o Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)

Item 4. Ownership:

See Items 5-9 and 11 on the cover page for each Reporting Person, and Item 2. The percentage ownership of each Reporting Person is based on 173,523,487 common shares outstanding as of April 10, 2018, as reported in the Issuer's definitive proxy statement filed on April 30, 2018.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

#### Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

#### Not Applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary That Acquired the Security Being Reported by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

Not Applicable

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Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

#### Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of the Group.

#### Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect, other than activities solely in connection with a nomination under § 240.14a-11.

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: May 3, 2018 /s/ Ryan Heslop Ryan Heslop

> Ariel Warszawski Firefly Value Partners, LP FVP GP, LLC Firefly Management Company GP, LLC FVP Master Fund, L.P.

Date: May 3, 2018 By: /s/ Ariel Warszawski Ariel Warszawski, for himself and as Managing Member of FVP GP (for itself and as general partner of FVP Master Fund) and Firefly Management (for itself and as general partner of Firefly Partners)

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Document
99.1	Joint Filing Agreement, dated May 3, 2018, among Ryan Heslop, Ariel Warszawski, Firefly Value Partners, LP, FVP GP, LLC, Firefly Management Company GP, LLC and FVP Master Fund, L.P. to file this joint statement on Schedule 13G.