

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Archer Ellen

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN
HARCOURT CO., 125 HIGH
STREET

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02110

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co
[HMHC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

See remarks.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2017		M	4,939 A	\$ 0 (1) 4,939	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F	2,074 D	\$ 11 2,865	D	

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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/01/2017		M	4,939	(3) (3)	Common Stock	4,939

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Archer Ellen C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO. 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
	See remarks.

Signatures

/s/ William F. Bayers,
Attorney-in-Fact 03/03/2017

__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) 4,939 restricted stock units held by Ms. Archer vested on March 1, 2017 and were settled in exchange for a like amount of shares of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company's (the "Company") common stock, subject to the Company's withholding of 2,074 shares of common stock to satisfy withholding obligations in connection with federal, state, local or other taxes required to be withheld or paid in connection with the settlement of the restricted stock units.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (3) The remaining restricted stock units shall vest in two equal installments on March 1, 2018 and March 1, 2019, subject to continued employment with the Company.

Remarks:

President, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Trade Publishing. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel.
Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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