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FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Print or Type Responses)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Archer Ellen

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

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(Month/Day/Year)

02/28/2018

BOSTON, MA 02110 (State)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) See remarks.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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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)	nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIISu. 4)	(IIIsu: 4)
Common Stock	02/28/2018		M	6,033	A	\$ 0 (1)	8,898	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2018		F	2,369	D	\$ 6.8	6,529	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)	Code	5. Number conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2018	M	6,033	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	6,033	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Archer Ellen C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110

See remarks.

Signatures

/s/ William F. Bayers,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/02/2018

**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) 6,033 restricted stock units held by Ms. Archer vested on February 28, 2018 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 2,369 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 February 28, 2019 and February 28, 2020, subject to continued employment with the Company.

Remarks:

President, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Trade Publishing. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and Ger 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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