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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Else-Mitchell Rose

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

[HMHC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

STREET

(City)

Common

Stock

(Last)

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

See remarks.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. Code

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount

1.148

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Common 03/01/2018 Stock

03/01/2018

M 3,407

Code V

F

\$0 (1)

(A)

or

(D)

Price

17,030

15,882

D

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. Transactic 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. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/01/2018		M	3,407	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,407	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Else-Mitchell Rose C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110

See remarks.

Signatures

/s/ William F. Bayers,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/05/2018

**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) 3,407 restricted stock units held by Ms. Else-Mitchell vested on March 1, 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 1,148 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 on March 1, 2019, subject to continued employment with the Company.

Remarks:

Executive Vice President, Chief Learning Officer. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and General C

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