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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Greenthal Jill A

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co

[HMHC]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2018

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

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA 02110

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/31/2018		M		6,883	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	6,883
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	05/31/2018		A	6,883		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	6,883
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	05/31/2018		A	12,500		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	12,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
and the second of the second o	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Greenthal Jill A C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110	X					

Signatures

/s/ William F. Bayers,
Attorney-in-Fact
06/04/2018

**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) Each restricted stock unit and each share of phantom stock represents a contingent right to receive one share of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company's (the "Company") common stock.
- Upon the vesting of the restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 31, 2017, the reporting person deferred the receipt of 6,883 shares of common stock and received instead 6,883 shares of phantom stock pursuant to the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan. The phantom stock becomes payable on May 31, 2020 (or, upon separation from service, at such earlier settlement date determined in accordance with the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan).
- This grant of restricted stock units will vest on May 31, 2019, subject to continued service on the Company's board of directors through such vesting date, with settlement of the restricted stock units to be deferred until May 31, 2021 (or, upon separation from service after the vesting date, such earlier settlement date determined in accordance with the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan).

Remarks:

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William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel of the Company.

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