Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Colangelo Brook Mickey Symbol

(Middle)

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co

[HMHC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner

Issuer

(Month/Day/Year) 11/28/2014

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

See remarks.

C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO.,, 222 BERKELEY STREET

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit oner Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	` ′	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	11/28/2014		M	4,167	A	\$ 13.48	4,167	D	
Common Stock	11/28/2014		S(1)	4,167	D	\$ 19.4421 (2)	0	D	

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		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	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.48	11/28/2014		M	4,167	(3)	07/25/2020	Common Stock	4,167	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Colangelo Brook Mickey C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., 222 BERKELEY STREET BOSTON, MA 02116

See remarks.

Signatures

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

**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) These shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- The sale price represents the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The prices of the transactions ranged from \$19.21 to \$19.61. Upon request of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company (the "Company") or a security holder of the Company, the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) 25% of this grant of employee stock options has vested and is currently exercisable. The remaining stock options vest in three equal installments on July 25, 2015, July 25, 2016 and July 25, 2017, subject to continued employment with the Company.

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Remarks:

Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and General

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