

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co
Form 4
March 02, 2017

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Abbott Joseph Patrick Jr.

(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
[HMHG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/28/2017

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 below) ____ Other (specify below)
See Remarks.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price

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. 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. I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/28/2017		A		50,679		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	50,679

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Abbott Joseph Patrick Jr. C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO. 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110				See Remarks.

Signatures

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

03/02/2017

__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).
- This grant of restricted stock units has a vesting schedule of three equal installments (one on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date), subject to continued employment with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting.

Remarks:

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel.

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