

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ^ DOLAN MICHAEL
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement
 (Month/Day/Year)
 11/13/2013

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co [HMHC]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., ^ 222 BERKELEY STREET
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 See remarks.

BOSTON, ^ MA ^ 02116
 (City) (State) (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	01/30/2020	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 12.5	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/25/2020	Common Stock	26,000	\$ 13.48	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DOLAN MICHAEL C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO. 222 BERKELEY STREET BOSTON,Â MAÂ 02116	Â	Â	Â See remarks.	Â

Signatures

/s/ Michael J.
Dolan

02/16/2016

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The grant of these stock options occurred on January 30, 2013, with a vesting schedule of four equal installments (one on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date), subject to continued employment with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company (the "Company"). The reporting person owned the full grant of these stock options on November 13, 2013 (the date upon which the Company's common stock became registered under Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")).

(2) The grant of these stock options occurred on July 25, 2013, with a vesting schedule of four equal installments (one on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date), subject to continued employment with the Company. The reporting person owned the full grant of these stock options on November 13, 2013 (the date upon which the Company's common stock became registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act).

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Remarks:

SeniorÂ ViceÂ PresidentÂ andÂ CorporateÂ Controller.Â TheÂ reportingÂ personÂ hasÂ servedÂ asÂ theÂ Company'sÂ P

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