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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Archer Ellen Issuer Symbol Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co (Check all applicable) [HMHC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN 02/28/2019 See remarks.

HARCOURT CO.,, 125 HIGH STREET

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/28/2019		M	6,033	A	\$ 0 (1)	21,706	D		
Common Stock	02/28/2019		F	2,001	D	\$ 7.91	19,705	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2019		M	4,940	A	\$ 0 (2)	24,645	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2019		F	1,677	D	\$ 8.16	22,968	D		

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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 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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number conf 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	<u>(3)</u>	02/28/2019	M	6,033	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	6,033	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	03/01/2019	M	4,940	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,940	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Archer Ellen C/O HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT CO., 125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110

See remarks.

Signatures

/s/ William F. Bayers,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/04/2019

**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) 6,033 restricted stock units held by Ms. Archer vested on February 28, 2019 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 2,001 shares of

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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.

- 4,940 restricted stock units held by Ms. Archer vested on March 1, 2019 and were settled in exchange for a like amount of shares of the Company's common stock, subject to the Company's withholding of 1,677 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.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (4) The remaining restricted stock units shall vest on February 28, 2020, subject to continued employment with the Company.

Remarks:

President, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Trade Publishing. William F. Bayers is the Executive Vice President, Secretary and Ger Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.