Archer Ellen Form 4 March 04, 2019

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

OMB Number:

3235-0287

Expires:

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average burden hours per

OMB APPROVAL

response...

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Check this box

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Archer Ellen

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co [HMHC]

(Check all applicable)

See remarks.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

> (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2019

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

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

(Street)

(State)

03/01/2019

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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 02110

(City)

Stock

Stock

Common

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

(A)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

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

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

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common \$0 02/28/2019 6,033 21,706 D M (1) Stock Common 02/28/2019 F 2,001 D 19,705 D 7.91 Stock Common 03/01/2019 4,940 M 24,645 D

F

22,968 D 1,677

Edgar Filing: Archer Ellen - Form 4

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474 (9-02)

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)	Code	5. Number some 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 (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/28/2019	M	6,03)33	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	6,033	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/01/2019	M	4,94	40	(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.,

See remarks.

125 HIGH STREET BOSTON, MA 02110

Signatures

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

03/04/2019

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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

Reporting Owners 2

Edgar Filing: Archer Ellen - Form 4

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.