

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Pelletier Stephen</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR</u> <u>ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE</u> (Street) <u>NEWARK</u> <u>NJ</u> <u>07102</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC [PRU]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/16/2017</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u>
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M		8,909	A	\$81.17	18,938	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M		18,927	A	\$63.59	37,865	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M		26,950	A	\$78.08	64,815	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M		12,988	A	\$84.53	77,803	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		S		71,334	D	\$112.02 ⁽¹⁾	6,469 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock								582	I	By 401(k)

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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
4/7/2014 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$81.17	02/16/2017		M			8,909	⁽³⁾	04/07/2024	Common Stock	8,909	\$0	4,455	D	
2016 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$63.59	02/16/2017		M			18,927	⁽⁴⁾	02/09/2026	Common Stock	18,927	\$0	37,856	D	
2015 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$78.08	02/16/2017		M			26,950	⁽⁵⁾	02/10/2025	Common Stock	26,950	\$0	13,475	D	
2014 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$84.53	02/16/2017		M			12,988	⁽⁶⁾	02/11/2024	Common Stock	12,988	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$111.88 to \$112.11, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Prudential Financial, Inc., any security holder of Prudential Financial, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

2. Following the transaction reported on this Form 4, Mr. Pelletier continues to hold 6,469 shares directly and 582 shares indirectly in a 401(k) account. Mr. Pelletier also holds an additional 31,847 deferred compensation shares, 88,911 unvested stock options, and 46,103 target performance shares (the exact number awarded being dependent on achievement of performance goals).

3. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning April 7, 2015.

4. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2017.

5. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 10, 2016.

6. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 11, 2015.

/s/John M. Cafiero, attorney-in-fact 02/21/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

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