

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

STRANGFELD JOHN R JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR

ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE

(Street)

NEWARK NJ 07102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC [PRU]

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

02/13/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X Director

10% Owner

X Officer (give title below)

X Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer / Chairman of the Board

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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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	02/13/2018		M		34,249 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	288,785	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F		14,267 ⁽²⁾	D	\$106.89	274,518	D	
Common Stock								1,821 ⁽³⁾	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock								596 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By Spouse

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				
2015 Performance Shares	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	02/13/2018		M			31,022	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	31,022	\$0	0	D	
2018 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$106.89	02/13/2018		A		65,020		(5)	02/13/2028	Common Stock	65,020	\$0	65,020	D	
2018 Performance Shares	\$0 ⁽⁶⁾	02/13/2018		A		24,611		(7)	(7)	Common Stock	24,611	\$0	24,611	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The Compensation Committee awarded these shares, the grant of which was made on February 10, 2015, and originally reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on February 12, 2015, based upon performance relative to the average Return On Equity (ROE) goals modified by ROE, EPS Growth and Book Value Per Share Growth relative to certain life insurance peers during the 2015 through 2017 performance period.

2. Represents shares withheld for the payment of taxes.

3. Amount reported has been adjusted to include 24 shares of Issuer common stock acquired by the reporting person under The Prudential Employee Savings Plan between June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2017 based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2017. The acquisition of such shares was exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rules 16b-3(c) and 16a-3(f)(1)(i)(B).

4. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

5. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2019.

6. The performance shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.

7. Represents the target number of shares to be received relative to the Company's average ROE goals and relative to the ROE achievement of certain life insurance peer companies for the 2018 through 2020 performance period. The actual number of shares to be received will be determined by the Compensation Committee in February 2021.

/s/Andrew Hughes, attorney-in-fact 02/15/2018

** 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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