

FORM 4

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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>Sayre Peter B</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>02/17/2012</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior Vice President</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ 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	02/17/2012		S		4,600	D	\$61.03 ⁽¹⁾	11,828	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M		15,494	A	\$25.3	27,322	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		S		15,388	D	\$61.57 ⁽²⁾	11,934 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock								181	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock								66 ⁽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				
2/10/09 Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.3	02/21/2012		M			15,494	⁽⁵⁾	02/10/2019	Common Stock	15,494	\$0.0000	0.0000	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 \$61.01 to \$61.05, 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. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$61.55 to \$61.59, 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 (2) to this Form 4.
3. Following the transactions reported on this Form 4, Mr. Sayre continues to hold 11,934 shares directly and 181 shares indirectly in a 401(k) account. Mr. Sayre also holds an additional 66,946 vested stock options, 19,730 unvested stock options, and 4,454 target performance shares (the exact number awarded being dependent on achievement of performance goals).
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 option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 10, 2010.

/s/Brian J. Morris, Attorney-in-fact 02/22/2012

** 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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