

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>KRAPEK KARL J</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>05/08/2012</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) 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			

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				
2012 Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0000 ⁽¹⁾	05/08/2012		A	2,326	(2) (2)	Common Stock 2,326	\$0.0000	2,326	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of PRU common stock or the economic equivalent thereof. The restricted stock units become payable, in PRU common stock or in cash, at the election of the reporting person at February 2015 unless the reporting person elects to further defer the distribution pursuant to the terms of the Prudential Financial, Inc. 2011 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
2. The restricted stock units vest the earlier of the annual meeting or in one year on May 8, 2013 and were deferred under the Prudential Financial, Inc. 2011 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

/s/John M. Cafiero, Attorney-in-fact 05/10/2012

** 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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