Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co Form 4 January 30, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bayers William Frederick

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co

[HMHC]

222 BERKELEY STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2014

(Street)

(Middle)

(7:-

(First)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

See remarks.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A)	5)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/30/2014		M	4,652	A	\$ 0 (1)	4,652	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2014		F	1,515	D	\$ 19.12	3,137	D	

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

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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 ion Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date U		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	<u>(2)</u>	01/30/2014	M	4,652	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,652	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Bayers William Frederick			C 1				
222 BERKELEY STREET			See remarks.				
BOSTON, MA 02116							

Signatures

/s/ Michael Dolan, Attorney-in-Fact

01/30/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) 4,652 restricted stock units held by Mr. Bayers vested on January 30, 2014 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 1,515 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.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represented a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.

Remarks:

Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel. Michael Dolan is the Senior Vice President and Corporate Controlle

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