Sleyster Scott Form 4 February 15, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sleyster Scott			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC [PRU]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR, ATTN. CORPORATE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2018				Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
COMPLIA	NCE									
		4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution (Instr. 3) any		n Date, if Transac Code Day/Year) (Instr. 8		4. Securities Acquired ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Or Amount (D) Price		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)	

Amount (D)

A

D

9,872

3,128

(1)

(2)

Price

106.89

\$0

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

Code

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. NumborDerivati Securitic Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ve es d (A) or d of (D)			7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar
2015 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (1)	02/13/2018		M		8,942	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	8,9
2018 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 106.89	02/13/2018		A	8,453		<u>(4)</u>	02/13/2028	Common Stock	8,4
2018 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (5)	02/13/2018		A	6,399		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	6,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sleyster Scott

751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE NEWARK, NJ 07102

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/Andrew Hughes,

attorney-in-fact 02/15/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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.
- Amount reported has been adjusted to include 171 shares of Issuer common stock acquired by the reporting person under The Prudential (3) Employee Savings Plan between December 31, 2016 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 options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2019.
- (5) The performance shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.
- 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.

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