PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GRIER MARK B

(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)
02/14/2017

4. If Amendment, Date 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)
_____ Other (specify below)
Vice Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	02/14/2017		M		29,713 (1)	A	$ 0	354,135	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		F		12,181 (2)	D	$ 110.45	341,954	D	
Common Stock								22,933 (3)	I	By 401(k)

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)	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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A or N of
2014 Performance Shares	$ 0 (1)	02/14/2017		M			23,770	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	2
2017 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 110.45	02/14/2017		A		58,889		(4)	02/14/2027	Common Stock	5
2017 Performance Shares	(5)	02/14/2017		A		22,760		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GRIER MARK B 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE NEWARK, NJ 07102	X		Vice Chairman	

Signatures

/s/Andrew Hughes, attorney-in-fact	02/16/2017
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) The Compensation Committee awarded these shares, the grant of which was made on February 11, 2014, and originally reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on February 13, 2014, based upon performance relative to the average Return On Equity (ROE) goals during the 2014 through 2016 performance period.

(2) Represents shares withheld for the payment of taxes.

(3) Amount reported has been adjusted to include 63 shares of Issuer common stock acquired by the reporting person under The Prudential Employee Savings Plan between September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2016 based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2016. 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 14, 2018.

(5) The performance shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.

(6) 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 2017 through 2019 performance period. The actual number of shares to be received will be determined by the Compensation Committee in February 2020.

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