

Merkle Claudia J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Merkle Claudia J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NMI HOLDINGS, INC., 2100
 POWELL STREET, 12TH FL.

(Street)

EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NMI Holdings, Inc. [NMIH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/07/2018

4. If Amendment, Date 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)
 EVP, Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Restricted Stock Unit (right to receive)	02/07/2018		A		30,080 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 0
					137,265 ⁽²⁾	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)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.7	02/07/2018		A	28,713 (3)	(3) 02/07/2028	Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	28,713

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Merkle Claudia J C/O NMI HOLDINGS, INC. 2100 POWELL STREET, 12TH FL. EMERYVILLE, CA 94608			EVP, Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Nicole C. Sanchez as Attorney-in-Fact 02/09/2018

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) Represents restricted stock units granted pursuant to the NMIH Amended and Restated 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan on February 7, 2018. The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 7, 2019.
- (2) Represents 15,299 class A common shares and 121,966 unvested restricted stock units.
- (3) Granted pursuant to the NMIH 2012 Stock Incentive Plan. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 7, 2019.

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