Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co [HMHC] A Ramsayer Lee Raymond (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 222 BERKELEY STREET (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _ Other Person BOSTON, MAÂ 02116 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One See Remarks Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Ownership Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	11/07/2019	Common Stock	573,100	\$ 12.5	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	01/30/2020	Common Stock	245,614	\$ 12.5	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ramsayer Lee Raymond 222 BERKELEY STREET BOSTON Â MAÂ 02116	Â	Â	See Remarks	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Lee R.
Ramsayer

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- 25% of Mr. Ramsayer's stock options have vested and are currently exercisable. The remaining stock options vest in three equal (1) installments on November 7, 2014, November 7, 2015 and November 7, 2016, subject to Mr. Ramsayer's continued employment with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company (the "Company").
- (2) Mr. Ramsayer's stock options vest in four equal installments on January 30, 2014, January 30, 2015, January 30, 2016 and January 30, 2017, subject to Mr. Ramsayer's continued employment with the Company.

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Remarks:

Executive Vice President. U.S. Sales

Exhibit 24.1: Power of Attorney

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