

STRANGFELD JOHN R JR  
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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 \*  
STRANGFELD JOHN R JR

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 COMPLIANCE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/13/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chief Executive Officer / Chairman of the Board

NEWARK, NJ 07102

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/13/2018		M		34,249 (1)	A	\$ 0 288,785 D
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F		14,267 (2)	D	\$ 106.89 274,518 D
Common Stock							1,821 (3) I By 401(k)
Common Stock							596 (4) I By Spouse

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)		
2015 Performance Shares	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/13/2018		M		31,022	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
2018 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 106.89	02/13/2018		A		65,020	<u>(5)</u>	02/13/2028	Common Stock
2018 Performance Shares	\$ 0 <sup>(6)</sup>	02/13/2018		A		24,611	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STRANGFELD JOHN R JR 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE NEWARK, NJ 07102	X		Chief Executive Officer	Chairman of the Board

**Signatures**

/s/Andrew Hughes,  
attorney-in-fact  
02/15/2018

\_\_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) 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.

(3) Amount reported has been adjusted to include 24 shares of Issuer common stock acquired by the reporting person under The Prudential Employee Savings Plan between June 30, 2017 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 reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(5) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2019.

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

(7) 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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