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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Axel Robert			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC [PRU]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Month/Da ROAD STREET, 4TH 02/14/20 R, ATTN. CORPORATE			ransaction			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP and Controller			
NEWARK,	mendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		M	1,193 (1)	A	\$0	2,721	D		
Common Stock	02/14/2017		F	489 (2)	D	\$ 110.45	2,232	D		
Common Stock							961	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivation Securities Acquired or Disposition (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	ve es d (A) osed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
2017 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 110.45	02/14/2017		A	2,025		(3)	02/14/2027	Common Stock	2,02:
2014 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (1)	02/14/2017		M		363	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	363
2017 Performance Shares	<u>(4)</u>	02/14/2017		A	1,565		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,56:
3/11/2014 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (1)	02/14/2017		M		591	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	591

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Axel Robert 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE

SVP and Controller

NEWARK, NJ 07102

Signatures

/s/Andrew Hughes,

attorney-in-fact 02/16/2017

**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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
 - The Compensation Committee awarded these shares, the grant of which was made on February 11, 2014 and March 11, 2014,
- (1) respectively, and originally reported on a Form 3 filed with the SEC on March 21, 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) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 14, 2018.
- (4) 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
- (5) 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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