## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Merkle Claudia J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NMI Holdings, Inc.</u> [ NMIH ]		tionship of Reporting Persor all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
(I, +)		(8.4)-1-11-)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			EVP, Chief Operatin	a Officar		
C/O NMI HOLD	INGS, INC.		02/09/2017		L v i, Chiel Operatin	g Officer		
2100 POWELL STREET, 12TH FL.		ι.						
·			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Report			
EMERYVILLE	CA	94608			Form filed by One Report	ing Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities A Disposed Of (I				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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150. 4)
Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/09/2017		A		26,126(1)	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	134,966 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

	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. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$11.1	02/09/2017		A		73,791 <sup>(3)</sup>		(3)	02/09/2027	Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	73,791	\$0	73,791	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents restricted stock units granted pursuant to the NMIH 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The shares underlying these restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2018.

2. Represents 8,700 class A common shares and 126,266 unvested restricted stock units.

3. Granted pursuant to the NMIH 2012 Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2018.

**Remarks:** 

<u>/s/ Nicole C. Sanchez as</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u>

02/10/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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

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