

Merkle Claudia J
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FORM 4

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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)
 02/13/2019

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)
 CEO

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) | 02/13/2019 | | A | | 48,991 (1) | A | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | 110,156 | (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) | \$ 22.19 | 02/13/2019 | | A | 40,957 | ⁽³⁾ 02/13/2029 | Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share | 40,957 |

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 | X | | CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Nicole C. Sanchez as
Attorney-in-Fact

02/15/2019

__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 13, 2019. The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2020.
- (2) Represents 32,401 class A common shares and 77,755 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 13, 2020.

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