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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Whynott Paul

> (First) (Middle)

C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL, 777 LONG RIDGE **ROAD**

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Synchrony Financial [SYF]

(Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2018

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

See remarks

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

STAMFORD, CT 06902

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	9,186 (1)	A	\$ 33.53	52,609 (2)	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2018		F	1,503 (3)	D	\$ 33.53	51,106	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.53	04/01/2018		A	17,207	<u>(4)</u>	04/01/2028	Common Stock	17,207

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		

Whynott Paul C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD

See remarks

Signatures

STAMFORD, CT 06902

/s/ Danielle Do as attorney in fact 04/03/2018

**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).
- Represents restricted stock units that will vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Synchrony Financial (the "Company") common stock
- (2) The total reported in Column 5 bas been adjusted downward by 293 shares to reflect dividend equivalent units that were inadvertently previously reported as restricted stock units.
- (3) Reflects the number of shares of Company common stock withheld by the Company to pay the tax liability of the reporting person in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (4) The reporting person was awarded 17,207 employee stock options on April 1, 2018, which vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

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Executive Vice President, Chief Risk Officer

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