FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LAWLER JULIA M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC PFG]											olicable) ctor er (give title	ng Pe	10% C	wner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 711 HIGH STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2019									below) below) EVP & Chief Risk Officer					
(Street) DES MC (City)	DES MOINES IA 50392				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									5. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Date					Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and Secur Benef		icially d Following	Fori	Ownership m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(111501.4)
Common Stock 11/01/					/2019	2019			S ⁽¹⁾		1,000)	D	\$53	3.94	53,714 ⁽²⁾			D	
Common Stock																	1,314		I	By 401(k) Plan
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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	on Dat	ear)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	,	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	of e Sha	ares						

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 2, 2018 and modified on November 7, 2018.
- 2. Includes 564 shares acquired pursuant to the Principal Financial Group, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

Remarks:

Patrick A. Kirchner, by Power of Attorney

11/04/2019

** 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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