SHAFF KAREN E

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHAFF KAREN E | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [PFG] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
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| (Last) 711 HIGH S | (First) (I | - | | ansaction | | | DirectorX 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Gen'l Counsel, Secretary | | | | | |
| DES MOIN | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(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 | | | | | |
| DLS MOIN | LS, IA 30372 | | | | | | | | Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disp | | | | | | | | quired, Disposed | of, or Benefici | ally Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution any | med on Date, if Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8 | 8) | 4. Securi nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | l (A) o l 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) | | |
| Common Stock | 12/07/2017 | | | G | V | 3,800 | D | \$0 | 65,905 (1) | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 2,801 | I | By Spouse | |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Immediate

Member's **IRA**

Family

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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) | Securities Acquired | | ate | Amou Under Secur | ınt of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| | | | | | (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number | | Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHAFF KAREN E 711 HIGH STREET DES MOINES, IA 50392

X EVP, Gen'l Counsel, Secretary

Signatures

Patrick A. Kirchner, by Power of Attorney 12/08/2017

**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) Includes 8,109 shares acquired pursuant to the Principal Financial Group, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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