

MELITO DAVID P  
Form 5  
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# FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MELITO DAVID P  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Synchrony Financial [SYF]  
  
3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2017

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
See remarks

C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL, 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD  
  
(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
  
(check applicable line)

STAMFORD, CT 06902  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date			Title
Dividend Equivalent Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	Â	12/31/2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	Â	A	1,012 <sup>(1)</sup>	Â	Â <sup>(1)</sup>	Â <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	1,012
Phantom Stock Units	Â	12/31/2017	Â	A	499 <sup>(2)</sup>	Â	Â <sup>(2)</sup>	Â <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	499

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MELITO DAVID P C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD STAMFORD, CT 06902	Â	Â	Â	See remarks

## Signatures

/s/ Danielle Do, as attorney  
in fact

02/14/2018

\_\*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 712, 26, 88, 120 and 66 dividend equivalent units accrued as dividends were paid on the common shares underlying restricted stock units originally granted to the reporting person on July 31, 2014, September 17, 2014, April 1, 2015, April 1, 2016 and April 1, 2017, respectively. The dividend equivalent units vest proportionately with and are subject to settlement and expiration upon the same terms as the restricted stock units to which they relate. Each dividend equivalent unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Synchrony Financial common stock.

(2) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under the Synchrony Financial Restoration Plan and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or certain involuntary terminations of employment, subject to the requirements set forth in the Restoration Plan. Each phantom stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Synchrony Financial common stock.

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