

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/
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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 *
 Sharpe Matthew P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ [HMN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1 HORACE MANN PLAZA
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/07/2017

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	03/07/2017		A	V	2,694	A	\$ 0	57,471.655 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock ⁽³⁾	03/07/2017		A	V	7,947.807	A	\$ 0	65,419.462 ⁽⁴⁾	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.95	03/07/2017		A	25,672	08/08/1988 ⁽⁵⁾ 03/07/2027	Common Stock 25,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Sharpe Matthew P. 1 HORACE MANN PLAZA SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715	Director 10% Owner Officer Executive Vice President

Signatures

Linea K. Michael, Attorney in Fact for Matthew P. Sharpe
Date: 03/09/2017

**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) The acquisition of Common Stock reported hereby is in the form of restricted stock units which will vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 7, 2018.
- (2) Represents 56,747.655 restricted stock units and 724 shares of Common Stock.
- (3) The acquisition of Common Stock reported hereby is in the form of restricted stock units which are fully vested.
- (4) Represents 64,695.462 restricted stock units and 724 shares of Common Stock.
- (5) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 7, 2018.

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