

Whynott Paul  
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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 \*  
**Whynott Paul**  
 (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 (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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
					(A)	(D)			
Dividend Equivalent Unit <sup>(1)</sup>		02/12/2018 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	934 <sup>(1)</sup>			<sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	934

### Reporting Owners

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

### Signatures

/s/ Danielle Do as attorney in fact	02/14/2018
<sup>(1)</sup> 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) Represents 157, 120, 127, 261, 172 and 97 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, May 27, 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.

<sup>(1)</sup>  
**Remarks:**  
 Executive Vice President, Chief Risk Officer

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