GRACO INC Form 4 November 13, 2015

# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCHALE PATRICK J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(		
88 11TH AVENUE NE			(Month/Day/Year) 11/12/2015	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Dis	Securities Acquired A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price		Beneficially Form: Owned (D) or Following Indirect	Ownership Form: Direct	irect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/12/2015		F	58,449	D	\$ 74.76	16,959	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2015		M	75,000	A	\$ 40.53	91,959 (1)	D	
Common Stock							1,854.3128 (2)	I	By ESOP

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.53	11/12/2015		M	75,000	(3)	06/14/2017	Common Stock	75,0

Other

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		

MCHALE PATRICK J

88 11TH AVENUE NE X President and CEO

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

# **Signatures**

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr.
McHale

11/13/2015

\*\*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) Included in the amount reported are shares acquired under Graco Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) The number of ESOP Stock Units includes ESOP Stock Units acquired in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) in transaction exempt (3) under Rule 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing one year after the date of the grant.

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