GRACO INC Form 4 February 16, 2016

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * O'Shea Peter J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

GRACO INC [GGG]

(Check all applicable)

88 11TH AVENUE NE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

02/12/2016

below) Vice President

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amoun Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securiti Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amou Exercisable Date or Numb of Sh Non-qualified

A

15,880

(1)

02/12/2026

Common

Stock

15,8

\$ 71.54

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

O'Shea Peter J

Stock Option

(Right to Buy)

88 11TH AVENUE NE Vice President

02/12/2016

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Signatures

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

O'Shea 02/16/2016

**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) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan in transaction exempt 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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