## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  White Timothy R  |   |  |   |     |                              | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ] |                 |   |  |  |                    |  |                                      |  | all application  | r  |                                   | n(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify                                 |  |  |
|--|---|--|---|-----|------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|--|--|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>88 11TH AVENUE NE   |   |  |   |     |                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2019          |                 |   |  |  |                    |  |                                      |  | X Officer (give title Other (specification)  President, EMEA   |  |                                   |  |  |  |
| (Street)  MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413  (City) (State) (Zip)   |   |  |   |     | - 4. I                       | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)             |                 |   |  |  |                    |  |                                      |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |                                   |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y  |   |  |   | ion | 2A. De<br>Execu              | eemed  | med<br>on Date, | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 at |                    | (A) or   |                                      | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Follow |  | Form:  | Direct C<br>Indirect E<br>str. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                      |  |  |
|  |   |  |   |     |                              |  |                 |   | Code   | v  | Amount             | (A) or<br>(D)  | Price                                |  | Reporte<br>Transac<br>(Instr. 3  | tion(s)  |                                   | 1  | Instr. 4)  |  |
| Common Stock 02/08/201   |   |  |   |     | 019                          | 9  |                 |   | M  |  | 4,800              | A  | \$6.933                              | 34 48,88   |  | 88.7553  | D                                 |  |  |  |
| Common Stock 02/08/20  |   |  |   | 019 | 19                           |  |                 | S                                       |  | 4,800  | D                  | \$43.766   | 669 <sup>(1)</sup> 44,08             |  | 88.7553  |  | D                                 |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |   |     |                              |  |                 |   |  |  |                    |  | 2,33                                 |  | 5.9086   |  | I S                               | Common<br>Stock<br>(By<br>(ESOP)   |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |   |     |                              |  |                 |   |  |  |                    |  |                                      |  |  |  |                                   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |  |                 |   | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                      | De<br>Se<br>(In  | Price of<br>crivative<br>curity<br>str. 5)   | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | ly [                              | LO.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |   |     | Code                         | v  | (A)             | (D)                                     | Date<br>Exerci   | isable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amoun<br>or<br>Numbe<br>of<br>Shares |  |  |  |                                   |  |  |  |
| Non-<br>qualified<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to  | \$6.9334  | 02/08/2019                                 |   |     | М                            |  |                 | 4,800                                   | (2   | 2)   | 02/13/2019         | Commor<br>Stock  | 4,800                                |  | \$0  | 0  |                                   | D  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$43.51 to \$43.87, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Graco Inc., any security holder of Graco Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, with full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in the
- 2. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2006 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.

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

02/11/2019

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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