## FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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## 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* <u>Etchart Eric</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]									(Ch	telationship eck all appl X Direct	cable)	eporting Person(s) to Issuer e) 10% Owner		
(Last) 88 11TH	(Fi	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/22/2016									Office below	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
(Street) MINNE	APOLIS M	tate)	55413 (Zip)		,	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  tive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic								Line	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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Date			2. Transa Date (Month/E	Day/Year) if a		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		,   Τι C	Transaction Code (Instr.						Benefic	ies Folially (D) Following (I)		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								С	Code	/	Amount	t (A) or (D)		Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111501.4)	
	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 D if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)		on of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		Amount of			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable		opiration	Title	0 N 0	umber					
Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$80.04	04/22/2016			A		6,000		ı	(1)	04	1/22/2026	Comn		5,000	\$0	6,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Nonemployee director stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan in a 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. Etchart

04/25/2016

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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