FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* VAN SANT R WILLIAM						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]										olicable)) Person(s) to Is	
(Last) 88 11TH	Last) (First) (Middle)							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2018								er (give title v)	Other below)	(specify
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv ₋ine) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					.	Execution Date,		´	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed Of				d 5) Secu Bene		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)
Common Stock 05/10/201						8			S		15,000	D	\$45.64	62(1)		0	D	
	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				ve derivative Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$45.415 to \$45.80, 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 footnote.

> /s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., 05/10/2018 attorney-in-fact for Mr. Van Sant

** 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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