FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>VAN SANT R WILLIAM</u>				1	<u> </u>								X Directo	r		10% Ow	/ner		
(Last) 88 11TH	(Fi	(First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2015								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) MINNE	APOLIS M	N	55413										Line	X Form f	,	•	orting Persor		
(City)	ity) (State) (Zip)				-									Person					
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	isposed	l of,	or Ber	neficial	ly Owned	ı .				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4) 5) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)				1 and Securities Beneficially Owned Follow		Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code V	Amou	nt	(A) or (D)			saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)		es J Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		itle	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	10/01/2015			A		255.48		(1)	(1)		Common Stock	255.48	\$67.03	18,182.70	)6 <sup>(2)</sup>	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan and are to be settled 100% in Graco common stock in a lump sum or installments upon reporting person's termination of service on the Board.
- 2. The number of Phantom Stock Units includes Phantom Stock Units acquired in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions.

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

10/01/2015

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\*\* 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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