FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  VAN SANT R WILLIAM					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner						
(Lost) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2019									Officer below)	r (give title		10% Ow Other (s below)	·
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable te)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(St	ate)	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriva	ative	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly O	wned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ar) l	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquire I Of (D) (Ins		4 and Securitie Benefici Owned F		es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I		: Direct   0 Indirect   E str. 4)   0	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	,	Amount	nt (A) or (D)		T		eported ansaction(s) str. 3 and 4)		1	(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. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tr	ransaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisal: Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Securities		ies g Security	Deri Sec	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		kpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	04/01/2019		A	A <sup>(2)</sup>		403.88		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	403.88	\$4	19.52	65,397.20	3 <sup>(3)</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. Shares of Graco Inc. phantom stock received in lieu of quarterly retainer fees.
- 3. The number of Phantom Stock Units includes Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Graco Inc. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRIP), exempt under Rule 16a-11.

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr.,

attorney-in-fact for Mr. Van

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

04/01/2019

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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