## 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*  JOHNSON DALE D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]									(Check	all app Direc	olicable) ctor		ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 88 11TH AVENUE NE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2005										X	Officer (give title below)  VICE PR		below) ESIDENT	
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran				2. Trans	insaction		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			d (A) b	r	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned	ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	:e		ted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock					03/01/2005				J <sup>(1)</sup>		727		A	\$24.74		18,282		D	
Common Stock					09/09/2005						1,000		D	\$36.94		17,282		D	
Common Stock					09/09/2005						1,000		D	\$3	\$36.95		6,282	D	
Common Stock 0					09/09/2005				S		1,499		D	\$36.91		14,783		D	
Common Stock 0					09/09/2005				S		1,000		D	\$36.9		13,783		D	
Common Stock 03					03/31/2005				J <sup>(2)</sup>		4.4455	5	D	\$40.36		2,633.4056		I	by ESOP
Common Stock 06/30					/2005				J <sup>(2)</sup>		8.6994		D	\$31.05		2,624.7062		I	by ESOP
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security  1. Title of Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expiration (Month/E	on Date		Am Sec Unc Der Sec and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount of Numbe of Title Shares		Deri Seci (Inst	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares acquired under Graco Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- 2. ESOP Reporting person has elected to have the dividends allocated to his ESOP Unit Stock Account under the Graco Inc. Employee Investment Plan paid to him in cash. As a result, the number of shares allocated to reporting person's ESOP Unit Stock Account will decrease due to the allocation of administrative fees to this Account

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: Dale D. Johnson

09/12/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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