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FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] O'Shea Peter J | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GRACO INC</u> [GGG] | | | | | | | | ck all applica | tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director | | on(s) to Issu 10% Ow | | |
|---|---|--------------------------|--|-------|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-------|---|---------------------|--|--|--|------|---|------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/08/2023 | | | | | | | , | below) | Officer (give title | | Other (s below) | `´` | |
| 88 11TH AVENUE NE | | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applical | | | | |
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| (City) | (S | itate) | (Zip) | | ⁻╞ | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Та | ble I - No | n-Der | ivativ | /e Se | ecuri | ities Acc | quired, | Dis | posed of | , or Ben | eficially | / Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of s | Security (Inst | tr. 3) | | Date | nsaction h/Day/Y | ay/Year) if an | | eemed tion Date, h/Day/Year) | Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr. | | es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 | | 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 ar | | | ° | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common | Stock | | | 11/0 | 08/202 | 23 | | | J | | 14,156 | | | 14,155. | 0077 ⁽²⁾ | | D | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | | puts | , cal | · | arrants, | | | sable and | | | 8. Price of | 9. Numbe | r of | 10. | 11. Nature | |
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution E if any (Month/Day | Date, | 4. Transa Code (8) | | Deri Secu Acq or D | vative urities uired (A) isposed 0) (Instr. 3, | Expirati (Month/ | on Da | Date of Securities | | ies g security | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | Date | | Expiration | | or Number of | | | | | | |
| Non- | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Exercis | able | Date | Title | Shares | | | | | | |
| qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 24.9333 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 8,420 ⁽³⁾ | (4) | | 02/14/2024 | Common Stock | 8,420 | \$0 | 8,420 |) | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 24.7934 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 18,075 ⁽³⁾ | (4) | | 02/13/2025 | Common Stock | 18,075 | \$0 | 18,07 | 5 | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.8467 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 23,820 ⁽³⁾ | (5) | | 02/12/2026 | Common Stock | 23,820 | \$0 | 23,82 | 0 | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 30.3467 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 18,795 ⁽³⁾ | (5) | | 02/17/2027 | Common Stock | 18,795 | \$0 | 18,79 | 5 | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$43.9 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 13,095 ⁽³⁾ | (5) | | 02/16/2028 | Common Stock | 13,095 | \$0 | 13,09 | 5 | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 45.56 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 16,390 ⁽³⁾ | (5) | | 02/15/2029 | Common Stock | 16,390 | \$0 | 16,39 | 0 | D | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 56.35 | 11/08/2023 | | | J | | | 16,296 ⁽³⁾ | (6) | | 02/14/2030 | Common Stock | 16,296 | \$0 | 17,80 | 4 | 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. Transa Code (8) | | Deri Seci Acq or D | umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed D) (Instr. 3, d 5) | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/) | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 71.92 | 11/08/2023 | | J | | | 11,222 ⁽³⁾ | (6) | 02/12/2031 | Common Stock | 11,222 | \$0 | 15,668 | D | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 71.73 | 11/08/2023 | | J | | | 7,822 ⁽³⁾ | (6) | 02/18/2032 | Common Stock | 7,822 | \$0 | 18,408 | D | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$71.47 | 11/08/2023 | | J | | | 1,640 ⁽³⁾ | (6) | 02/17/2033 | Common Stock | 1,640 | \$0 | 20,680 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of Graco Common Stock transferred to the Reporting Person's former spouse pursuant to a divorce decree. Following the transfer, the Reporting Person no longer has a reportable beneficial ownership in these securities

2. Included in the amount reported are shares of Graco Common Stock acquired under the Graco Inc. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRIP), exempt under Rule 16a-11.

3. Represents the beneficial ownership interests in stock options transferred to the Reporting Person's former spouse pursuant to a divorce decree. Following the transfer, the Reporting Person no longer has a

reportable beneficial ownership in these securities

4. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan in 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.

5. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan in 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.

6. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2019 Stock Incentive Plan in 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.

Remarks:

The reported common stock and stock option transfer was completed in connection with Mr. O'Shea's marital dissolution, which was concluded on November 8, 2023.

/s/ Joseph J. Humke, attorneyin-fact for Mr. O'Shea ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

12/22/2023

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

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