FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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	nd Address of Reporting F HAN MARK W	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GRACO INC</u> [GGG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
SHEA	HAN MAKK W			Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/23/2003	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VICE PRESIDENT AND TREASURER					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		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/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		1,968	A	13.11	9,093	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		2,814	A	9.55	11,907	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		2,814	A	13.64	14,721	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		3,750	A	17.57	18,471	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		3,750	A	18.57	22,221	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		М		1,875	A	27.59	24,096	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		15,271	D	36	8,825	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,400	D	35.95	7,425	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		300	D	35.93	7,125	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2003		J ⁽¹⁾		0.7943	A	0	218.6501	I	by ESOP ⁽²⁾

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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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) (Instr. 4)	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				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	9.55	07/23/2003		М			2,814	08/08/1988 ⁽³⁾	02/22/2009	Common Stock	2,814	\$ 0	\$2,811	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	13.11	07/23/2003		М			1,968	08/08/1988 ⁽³⁾	02/27/2008	Common Stock	1,968	\$ 0	\$ 0	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	13.64	07/23/2003		М			2,814	08/08/1988 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2010	Common Stock	2,814	\$ 0	\$2,811	D	

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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	17.57	07/23/2003		М			3,750	08/08/1988 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2011	Common Stock	3,750	\$ 0	\$3,750	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	18.57	07/23/2003		М			3,750	08/08/1988 ⁽⁴⁾	04/19/2011	Common Stock	3,750	\$ 0	\$3,750	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	27.59	07/23/2003		М			1,875	08/08/1988 ⁽⁵⁾	02/22/2012	Common Stock	1,875	\$ 0	\$5,625	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Dividends paid pursuant to the Graco Employee Stock Ownership Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

2. The reporting person also indirectly beneficially owns 643 shares of Graco common stock through a spouse.

3. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing two years after the date of the grant.

4. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan in a 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. 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.

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: Mark W. Sheahan 07/24/2003

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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