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* <u>Johnson Jeffrey P.</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]										k all applic Directo	r 10% Own		/ner	
(Last) 88 11TH	(F AVENUE	,	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2017									X	Officer (give title below) Vice Presi		resid	Other (specify below) ident	
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413				4.1	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(5		(Zip)													Person				
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D			saction	Execution Date,			, [3. 4. Securities Transaction Disposed Of Code (Instr. 5)			f, or Beneficiall ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									-	Code	/	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a		on(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 06/02				2/201	2017				M		28,000	0 A	A \$35.9		42,213.4242		D			
Common Stock 06/02				2/201	2017				S ⁽¹⁾		28,000	,000 D \$		13	3 14,213.4242 ⁽²⁾		D			
		-	Table II -									osed of, onvertil				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Date Exe piration onth/Day	Date	!	of Securities		D	. Price of Derivative Decurity Decurity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Da: Ex	ite ercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er					
Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to	\$35.9 ⁽³⁾	06/02/2017			M			28,000		(3)	0	2/15/2018	Common Stock	28,00	0	\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sale pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan dated May 23, 2017.
- 2. Included in the amount are shares acquired under Graco Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3, and shares from broker dividend reinvestment, exempt under rule 16a-11.
- 3. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) 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.

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

06/02/2017

** 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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