FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Ahlers David M | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | | |
| TIMETO | Duviu ivi | _ | | | | | | | | | _ | Officer | | | Other (s | · · | | | | |
| (Last) | (E | 3. I | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 1 X | | Officer (give title below) | | | specify | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 88 11TH AVENUE NE | | | | | | | 11/09/2020 | | | | | | | | Executive Vice President | | | | | |
| 00 11111 | AVENUE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (0) | — 4. I | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of S | Security (Ins | tr. 3) | | 2. Transac | tion | 2A. D | | | 3. | | 4. Securities | | | | 5. Amou | | | | 7. Nature | |
| Date (Month/Day/Ye | | | | | y/Year) | ear) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | (D) (Instr. | 3, 4 an | d 5) | Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | (| | ,, | _ | | Amount (A) or Price | | | Reported Transaction(s) | | (),(3. / | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Cod | e V | Amount | (D) | Price | | (Instr. 3 a | | | | | |
| Common Stock 11/09/202 | | | | | | 0 | | M | | 55,800 | A | \$16 . | 6133 | 118,68 | 118,682.4488 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock 11/09/2020 | | | | | 2020 | | | | S | | 55,800 | D | \$67.0 | 314(1) | 62,882.4488(2) | | | D | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | (e.g., | puts, | calls | , Wa | arrant | s, o | ptions | , converti | ble se | curition | es) | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any | emed tion Date, n/Day/Year) | | ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | ly | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | | | | | | Dat | te | Expiration | | | nber | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | | ercisable | | Title | Sha | res | | | | | | |
| Non- qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$16.6133 | 11/09/2020 | | | M | | | 55,800 | | (3) | 02/17/2022 | Commo Stock | | .800 | \$0 | 0 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$67.00 to \$67.42, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Graco Inc., any security holder of Graco Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, with full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price set forth within the footnote.
- 2. Included in the amount of reported shares are shares of Graco common stock acquired under the Graco Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan, exempt under Rule 16a-11, and shares acquired under the Graco Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- 3. 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.

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

11/10/2020

** 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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