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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GILLIGAN J KEVIN					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
GILLIC	JAN J KI	<u>EVIIN</u>			٦		30 1111	210	.00]					X	Directo	r		10% Ow	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 88 11TH AVENUE NE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2016									Officer below)	officer (give title elow)		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Indivi ne) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				.	
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)											Person					
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, [Disp	osed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly (Owned				
Date			2. Trans Date (Month		ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquire I Of (D) (Ins		4 and Securitie Benefici Owned F		s illy ollowing	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)			Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercisable : Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	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	Amoun or Numbe of Shares						
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	04/01/2016			A		196.82		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	196.8	2 :	\$83.96	23,424.10)5 ⁽²⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan and are to be settled 100% in Graco common stock in a lump sum or installments upon reporting person's termination of service on the Board.
- 2. The number of Phantom Stock Units includes Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Graco Inc. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRIP), exempt under Rule 16a-11.

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr.,

04/01/2016 attorney-in-fact for Mr.

<u>Gilligan</u>

** 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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