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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ahlers David M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

GRACO INC [GGG]

(Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2019

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below) below) **Executive Vice President**

88 11TH AVENUE NE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amoun

Underlying Securiti

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

> Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amou Exercisable Date or

Numb

of Sh

Non-qualified

Common **Stock Option** \$ 45.56 02/15/2019 A 36,880 (1) 02/15/2029 36,8 Stock (Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ahlers David M 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr. 02/19/2019 Ahlers

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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).
- 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.

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