JOHNSON DALE D Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JOHNSON DALE D Issuer Symbol **GRACO INC [GGG]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 88 11TH AVENUE NE 03/14/2019 below) President, Worldwide CED (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acqui	red, Disposed of, o	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/14/2019		M	90,000	A	\$ 9.0567	302,872.6617	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2019		S	90,000	D	\$ 47.8473	212,872.6617	D	
Common Stock							8,711.8418	I	By ESOP

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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.0567 (2)	03/14/2019		M	90,000	(2)	02/12/2020	Common Stock	90,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON DALE D 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

President, Worldwide CED

Signatures

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

03/15/2019

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$47.80 to \$48.1025, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Graco Inc., any security holder of Graco Inc. or the staff of the
- (1) Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in the footnote.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) in transaction exempt (2) 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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