

GRANER JAMES A

Form 4

February 01, 2012

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GRANER JAMES A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

88 11TH AVENUE NE

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
GRACO INC [GGG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)
CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	02/01/2012		M	11,250 A	\$ 18.39 78,662	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012 ⁽¹⁾		S	11,250 D	\$ 46.527 67,412	D	
Common Stock					3,251.3585	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Date of Exercise	9. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.39	02/01/2012		M	11,250	<u>(3)</u> 02/22/2012	Common Stock		11,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
GRANER JAMES A 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413	Director 10% Owner Officer Other CFO

Signatures

By: Carrie Daniel Russell, Attorney-in-Fact For: James A. Graner

02/01/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Sale pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan effective August 8, 2011.

The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$46.38 to \$46.69, 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 within the range set forth in the footnote.

(3) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 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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