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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION								OMB APPROVAL			
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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940											
(Print or Type R	lesponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> PAINTER JONATHAN W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KADANT INC [KAI]				g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Chec				ск ан аррисави	k an applicable)			
KADANT II TECHNOLO	NC., ONE DGY PARK D	RIVE	(Month/Da 03/07/20	-				X Director X Officer (giv below) PRESI			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WESTFORI	D, MA 01886							Form filed by Person	More than One Ro	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any				(A)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial	
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock								59,100 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock								3	I	By Son	

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)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/07/2018		А	13,417	(2)	04/30/2021	Common Stock	13,417
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/07/2018		А	3,354	<u>(3)</u>	04/30/2021	Common Stock	3,354

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PAINTER JONATHAN W KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE WESTFORD, MA 01886	Х		PRESIDENT AND CEO				
Signatures							
by Sandra L. Lambert for Jonathan W. Painter		03/09/2018					
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					
Explanation of Respons	ses:						

* 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).

(1) Includes 408 shares acquired in an exempt transaction pursuant to the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on December 31, 2017.

Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents the right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock. The RSU vests and is

(2) distributable in three equal installations beginning on March 10, 2019, provided that the Issuer meets certain performance requirements for fiscal 2018 and the reporting person is employed by the issuer on the vesting date. The maximum number of shares the reporting person may receive is 150% of the RSU amount.

(3) This RSU vests and becomes exercisable in three annual installments beginning on March 10, 2019, provided the reporting person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date.

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