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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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 Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Etchart Eric**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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GRACO INC [GGG]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2018

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

(Check all applicable)

88 11TH AVENUE NE

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired

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Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

or Numbe of

Amour

Shares

Non-qualified

Stock Option \$ 45.98 04/27/2018 A 9,130 (Right to Buy)

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(I) 04/27/2028 Common Stock 9,130

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Etchart Eric

88 11TH AVENUE NE X

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Signatures

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Etchart 04/27/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- (1) Nonemployee director stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan in a 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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