

OBRIEN THOMAS M  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**OBRIEN THOMAS M**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**KADANT INC., ONE ACTON PLACE, SUITE 202**  
  
(Street)

**ACTON, MA 01720**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**KADANT INC [KAI]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/11/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**CFO, TREASURER, EXECUTIVE VP**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/11/2006		M	V	100	\$ 13.05	12,924	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006		S		100	\$ 23.24	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006		M		5,200	\$ 13.05	18,024	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006		S		5,200	\$ 23.2	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006		M		1,100	\$ 13.05	13,924	D

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Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 23.11	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	100	A	\$ 13.05	12,924	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	100	D	\$ 23.09	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	100	A	\$ 13.05	12,924	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	100	D	\$ 23.08	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	200	A	\$ 13.05	13,024	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	200	D	\$ 23.06	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	1,700	A	\$ 13.05	14,524	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	1,700	D	\$ 23.05	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	800	A	\$ 13.05	13,624	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	800	D	\$ 23.04	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	1,100	A	\$ 13.05	13,924	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 23.03	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	400	A	\$ 13.05	13,224	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	400	D	\$ 23.02	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	1,500	A	\$ 13.05	14,324	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 23.01	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	8,000	A	\$ 13.05	20,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	S	8,000	D	\$ 23	12,824	D
Common Stock	08/11/2006	M	450	A	\$ 13.05	13,274	D

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.05	08/11/2006		M	24,550	12/10/2001 12/10/2008		Common Stock	24,550

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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KADANT INC.  
ONE ACTON PLACE, SUITE 202  
ACTON, MA 01720

CFO, TREASURER, EXECUTIVE VP

## Signatures

Sandra L. Lambert for Thomas M. O'Brien 08/15/2006

\*\*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).

**Remarks:**

THE TRANSACTIONS REPORTED ON THIS FORM 4 WERE EXECUTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING

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