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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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 Jeffrey P. 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 03/08/2019 below) President, New Ventures (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/08/2019		Code V	Amount 33,038	or (D)	Price \$ 14.2434	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 76,475.2122	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/08/2019		S	33,038	D	\$ 47.2	43,437.2122	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		M	20,962	A	\$ 14.2434	64,399.2122	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 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 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)	\$ 14.2434 (1)	03/08/2019		M	33,038	<u>(1)</u>	02/18/2021	Common Stock	33,0
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.2434 (1)	03/11/2019		M	20,962	<u>(1)</u>	02/18/2021	Common Stock	20,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Johnson Jeffrey P. 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

President, New Ventures

Signatures

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

03/11/2019

**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) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2010 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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