

Eberlein Mark D
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 *
Eberlein Mark D

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
88 11TH AVENUE NE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/17/2017

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

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

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

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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/17/2017		M	2,500 A \$ 26.59	3,896.6052	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2017		M	1,690 A \$ 42.73	5,586.6052	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2017		M	1,280 A \$ 49.84	6,866.6052	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2017		S	5,902 D \$ 130.2631	964.6052 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock					217.4571 ⁽³⁾	I	By ESOP

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.59	11/17/2017		M	2,500	⁽⁴⁾ 02/23/2020	Common Stock	2,500
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.73	11/17/2017		M	1,690	⁽⁵⁾ 02/18/2021	Common Stock	1,690
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.84	11/17/2017		M	1,280	⁽⁵⁾ 02/17/2022	Common Stock	1,280

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Eberlein Mark D 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413			Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr. Eberlein 11/17/2017

**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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$130.12 to \$130.50, inclusive.

- (1) 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.
- (2) Included in the amount reported are shares acquired under Graco Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) Included in the amount reported are shares of Graco Common Stock acquired under the Graco Inc. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRIP), exempt under Rule 16a-11, and shares acquired under the Graco Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (4) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan (2006) in transaction exempt under Section 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing one year after the date of the grant.
- (5) 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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