STEPAN CO Form 4 May 11, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEPAN F QUINN JR

> (First) (Middle)

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

(Street)

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STEPAN CO [SCL]

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

05/09/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman, President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownersh: Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D Following or Indirect Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/09/2017		M	381	A	\$ 25.605	141,951.957	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2017		S	381	D	\$ 85.15	141,570.957	D	
Common Stock	05/10/2017		M	5,000	A	\$ 25.605	146,570.957	D	
Common Stock	05/10/2017		S	5,000	D	\$ 85.15	141,570.957	D	
Common Stock							104,423	D (1)	

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10,872.422	I	By Esop II Trust
160,000	I	By Family LLC (2)
48,000	I	By Family Trust (2)
54,978	I	By Family Trust III
40,000	I	By Family Trust IV
768	I	By Spouse
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op f 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)	\$ 25.605	05/09/2017		M		381	02/09/2012	02/08/2018	Common Stock	381
Employee Stock Option	\$ 25.605	05/10/2017		M		5,000	02/09/2012	02/08/2018	Common Stock	5,000

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(Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEPAN F QUINN JR

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD X Chairman, President & CEO

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

Signatures

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, attorney-in-fact for F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

05/11/2017

**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).
- (1) Joint Tenancy with Spouse.
- (2) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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