

CARROLL WILLIAM J
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FORM 4

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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 *
CARROLL WILLIAM J

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)
03/12/2018

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/12/2018		S			5,325	D	\$ 46.7628 (1)	60,984	D	
Common Stock	03/13/2018		M			21,300	A	\$ 15.0267	82,284	D	
Common Stock	03/13/2018		S			21,300	D	\$ 46.6464 (2)	60,984	D	
Common Stock									6,660	I	By Trust

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.0267 ⁽³⁾	03/13/2018		M	21,300	⁽³⁾ 04/21/2021	Common Stock	21,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARROLL WILLIAM J 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413			X	

Signatures

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

03/13/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$46.75 to \$46.77, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Graco Inc., and 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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$46.31 to \$46.96, inclusive. 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.

(3) Nonemployee director stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 2010 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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