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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GILLIGAN J KEVIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

GRACO INC [GGG]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

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

04/01/2011

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

88 11TH AVENUE NE

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security

(Instr. 3)

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price 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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount

Exercisable Date

Number of Shares

Phantom

Units

Stock <u>(1)</u> 04/01/2011

274.78 Α

Common (1) (1) Stock

274.78

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GILLIGAN J KEVIN 88 11TH AVENUE NE X MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Signatures

By: Carrie D. Russell, Attorney-in-Fact For: J. Kevin

04/04/2011 Gilligan

> **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 Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Graco Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan and are to be settled 100% in Graco common stock in a lump sum or installments upon reporting person's termination of service on the Board.
- (2) The number of Phantom Stock Units includes Phantom Stock Units acquired in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions.

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