

LOWE DAVID M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
LOWE DAVID M

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)  
09/08/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

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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(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	09/08/2017		M	30,000 A \$ 35.9	164,808.6052	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2017		S	30,000 D \$ 115.4957 (1)	134,808.6052 (2)	D	
Common Stock					442.7318 (3)	I	By ESOP

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)	\$ 35.9	09/08/2017		M	30,000	<sup>(4)</sup> 02/15/2018	Common Stock	30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
LOWE DAVID M 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413	Director 10% Owner Officer Executive Vice President Other

## Signatures

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr. Lowe  
Date: 09/11/2017

\*\*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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$115.21 to \$115.92, 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, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in the footnote.
  - (2) The number of shares reported include shares acquired under Graco Employee Stock Purchase Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
  - (3) The number of ESOP shares include ESOP shares acquired in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
  - (4) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) 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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