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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MITAU LEE R

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

GRACO INC [GGG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/06/2012

(Check all applicable) X_ Director 10% Owner

below)

Officer (give title Other (specify

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

88 11TH AVENUE NE

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/06/2012		M	5,625	A	\$ 19.13	65,138	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2012		F	2,199	D	\$ 48.93	62,939	D	

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)

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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)	Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.13	02/06/2012		M		5,625	<u>(1)</u>	05/07/2012	Common Stock	5,62

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
MITAU LEE R 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413	X						

Signatures

By: Carrie Daniel Russell, Attorney-in-Fact For: Lee R.
Mitau

02/06/2012

**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) Nonemployee director stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. 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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