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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CARROLL WILLIAM J Issuer Symbol **GRACO INC [GGG]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 88 11TH AVENUE NE 11/16/2016 below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secui	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	11/16/2016		M	3,600	A	\$ 40.66	25,703	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2016		S	3,600	D	\$ 81.365 (1)	22,103	D	
Common Stock							2,960	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.66	11/16/2016		M	3,600	(2)	04/20/2017	Common Stock	3,600

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

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

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$80.85 to \$81.84, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Graco Inc., any security holder of Graco Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange

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Date

- Commission, upon request, with full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in
- Nonemployee director stock option granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) in a (2) 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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