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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MORFITT MARTHA A M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (I	First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
88 11TH AVENUE NE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2016	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (special below)		
(2)	Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413				Form filed by More than One Reporting		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	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	03/09/2016		M	3,600	A	\$ 48.95 \$	73,300	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2016		S	2,177	D	81.051 (1)	71,123	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)

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 f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.95	03/09/2016		M	3,600	(2)	04/20/2016	Common Stock	3,600	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MORFITT MARTHA A M 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413	X						

Signatures

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

Morfitt

03/09/2016

**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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$80.972 to \$81.22, inclusive.

- (1) 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.
- 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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