FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Russell Erin L				2. Date of Event Requiring Statement Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2019 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KADANT INC [ KAI ]									
(Last) KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOC	(First)	(Middle)				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street) WESTFORD	,									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount o (Instr. 4)	f Securities Beneficially Owned	3. Ownership For (D) or Indirect (I)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned           (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)													
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)					ate	(Instr. 4) Exercise of Derivat			4. Conversion Exercise Prior of Derivative	rice Form: Direct (D) or		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficia Ownership (Instr. 5)	al
Date Expiration Exercisable Date					Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Security				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney No securities are beneficially owned.

<u>/s/ Stacy D. Krause, by power of attorney</u> \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

01/03/2019 Date

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 If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
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EXHIBIT 24 LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Stacy D. Krause, Michael J. McKenney, Deborah S. Selwood, Astrid E.P (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Kadant Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 (: (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to prepare, complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, (3) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company's securities from any t (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney in fact, may be of benefit to, in the best The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney in fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, c This Power of Attorney replaces any previously provided Power of Attorney by the undersigned effective as of the date hereof and shall remain in full force and effect IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 11th day of December 2018.

Signature /s/ Erin L. Russell Print Name