FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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						or Sec	tion 30(h) of the	e Investment	Compan	y Act of 194	40							
Name and Address of Reporting Person* LEONARD THOMAS C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KADANT INC [KAI]								5. Relation (Check all	ship of Reporting Pe applicable) Director	erson(s) to I		.0% Owne	r
(Last) (First) (Middle) KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2018								Officer (give title	below)	(Other (spe	cify below)	
(Street) WESTFORD MA 01886 (City) (State) (Zip)				If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individua	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. The of Security (man of			Date Exe		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any			. Securities A , 4 and 5)	curities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (E and 5)			D) (Instr. 5. Amount of Securiti Beneficially Owned F Reported Transaction		i. Ownership Fo Direct (D) or Inc Instr. 4)	irect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.		
			(onth/Day/Year)	Code V		mount	nt (A) or (D)			(Instr. 3 and 4)		,		4)		
Common Stock			06/01/	2018		M		1,350	0	Α	(1)	(1) 23,100		D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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. Transact (Instr. 8)	ion Code	5. Number of Securities A Disposed of and 5)	f Derivative cquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Form: I (D) or I	Direct ndirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	tion Titl			Amount or Number of Share	es	Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	06/01/2018		M			1,350 ⁽¹⁾	(1)	01/31/	2019 ⁽¹⁾	Commo	on Stock	1,350(1)	\$0	1,350		D	

1. Represents partial vesting of a restricted stock unit award on June 1, 2018 and delivery of shares to the reporting person pursuant to the terms of a restricted stock unit award agreement dated May 16, 2018. The remainder of the shares vest in two equal installments on the last day of each of the issuer's third and fourth quarters of fiscal 2018 provided the recipient continues to serve as a director of the issuer.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Stacy D. Krause, by power of attorney.
** Signature of Reporting Person

06/01/2018 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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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 and Amy B. (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 (1) 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 1 (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, (2) 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 MITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 16th day of May 2018.

//s/ Thomas C. Leonard _

Signature

Thomas C. Leonard Print Name