FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [KAI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) KADANT INC. ONE TECHNO	(First) (Middle) NT INC. ECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2017	VP, GENERAL COUNSEL, SECRETARY
(Street) WESTFORD	MA (State)	01886 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. 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. 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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V		Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		948	A	(1)	20,167	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		308	D	\$57.8	19,859	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		236	A	(2)	20,095	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		77	D	\$57.8	20,018	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		809	A	(3)	20,827	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		263	D	\$57.8	20,564	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		206	A	(4)	20,770	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		67	D	\$57.8	20,703	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		1,169	A	(5)	21,872	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		380	D	\$57.8	21,492	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		М		300	A	(6)	21,792	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		98	D	\$57.8	21,694	D	

 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. Transa Code (8)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) o Disp of (I	oosed D) tr. 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			948	(1)	03/10/2017	Common Stock	948	\$ <mark>0</mark>	0	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			236	(2)	03/10/2017	Common Stock	236	\$ <mark>0</mark>	0	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			809	(3)	03/10/2018	Common Stock	809	\$ <mark>0</mark>	809	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			206	(4)	03/10/2018	Common Stock	206	\$0	206	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			1,169	(5)	03/31/2019	Common Stock	1,169	\$0	2,336	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		М			300	(6)	03/31/2019	Common Stock	300	\$0	598	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 5, 2014. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

2. The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted March 5, 2014. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

3. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 9, 2015. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

4. The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted March 9, 2015. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

5. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 8, 2016. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

6. The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted March 8, 2016. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2017 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

Remarks:

<u>by Melodie T. Morin for</u> Sandra L. Lambert

03/14/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person 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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