

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SELWOOD DEBORAH</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE</u> (Street) <u>WESTFORD MA 01886</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC [KAI]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/10/2017</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>X VICE PRESIDENT & CAO</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/10/2017		M		455	A	(1)	9,569	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		144	D	\$57.8	9,425	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		M		398	A	(2)	9,823	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		130	D	\$57.8	9,693	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		M		434	A	(3)	10,127	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		138	D	\$57.8	9,989	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		M		112	A	(4)	10,101	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2017		F		37	D	\$57.8	10,064	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		M		455	(1)	03/10/2017	Common Stock	455	\$0	0	D
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		M		398	(2)	03/10/2018	Common Stock	398	\$0	398	D
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		M		434	(3)	03/31/2019	Common Stock	434	\$0	867	D
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2017		M		112	(4)	03/31/2019	Common Stock	112	\$0	222	D

Explanation of Responses:

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

4. 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:

by Melodie T. Morin for
Deborah S. Selwood

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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