UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] ALBERTINE JOHN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [KAI]								nship of Reporting F applicable) Director	10% Owner				
(Last) (I KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARI	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2018								Officer (give title	below)		Other (spe	ecify below)	
(Street) WESTFORD MA 01886 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Ame	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. Transa Date (Month/Da	ay/Year) Exe	Deemed cution Date, 1y nth/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Code V		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of 3, 4 and 5) Amount (A) or (D) Price			5. Amount of Securit Beneficially Owned I Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 and 4)	Following Direct		rship Form:)) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock			06/01/	· ·	nunbuy, realy	M	· [^	1,350		A	(1)	15,240			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. Transac (Instr. 8)	tion 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)				Amount of Sec ecurity (Instr. 3	urities Underlying and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirat Date		itle		Amount or Number of Sha	res	Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)				
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	06/01/2018		М			1,350 ⁽¹⁾	(1)	01/31/2	019 ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock		1,350(1)	\$0	\$0 1,350		D		

Explanation of Responses:

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

<u>/s/ Stacy D. Krause, by power of attorney</u> ** 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. 76ff(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. () 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 () 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 bes 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 16th day of May 2018. /s/ John M. Albertine Signature

John M. Albertine Print Name