FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Langevin Eric T						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol KADANT INC [ KAI ]									k all ap <sub>l</sub> Dire	plicable)		ssuer  Owner  (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle)  KADANT INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2012								1	X below) below)  EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, COO				
ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE					. 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) WESTFO	•													X	Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate) (	Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	f, or E	Benef	icially	Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,					es Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		and 5) Secur Benef		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pric		ce	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(,	
Common	2012				S <sup>(1)</sup>		7,500	D	D \$22.0		02 <sup>(2)</sup> 20,476		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 Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		mber rative rities ired r osed ) . 3, 4	6. Date	ion Da			Der Sec (Ins	Price of ivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	ode V		(A) (D)		able	Expiration Date	Title Share		s					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The transactions reported on this Form 4 were executed pursuant to a Rule 10b-5-1 plan.
- 2. Represents the weighted average sale price. The actual sale prices range from \$21.95 to \$22.31 per share. The reporting person will supply the SEC, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, with full information regarding the number of shares at each separate price upon written request.

## Remarks:

Sandra L. Lambert for Eric T.

<u>Langevin</u>

01/11/2012

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

- \* 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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