FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     OBRIEN THOMAS M							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  KADANT INC [ KAI ]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to I (Check all applicable)     Director     10%				wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/24/2007										X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  CFO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT						
(Street) WESTFORD MA 01886					-   4. I -	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					
(City) (State) (Zip)																						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					saction	ear)	Curities Acquired  2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year)			3. Transac Code (Ir 8)	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A)			l (A) or	or 5. Amou Securitie Benefici		nt of es ally Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a		ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 04/24/						2007				M		10,00	0,000		\$13.0	)5	24,895(1)		D			
Common Stock 04/24/2						7				S		9,800	)	D	\$28	\$28 15		,095		D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		ransaction code (Instr.				Date Exc piration onth/Da	Date		of S Und Deri	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Deriv Secu	. Price of Perivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	V (A) (D)		Da Ex	ate xercisabl		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares							
Employee Stock Option (Right To Buy)	\$13.05	04/24/2007			M			10,000	12	2/10/200	1 1	2/10/2008		nmon	10,000	\$	0	30,000	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. INCLUDES 971 SHARES ACQUIRED IN AN EXEMPT TRANSACTION PURSUANT TO THE ISSUER'S ESPP ON DECEMBER 31, 2006.

## Remarks:

THE TRANSACTIONS REPORTED ON THIS FORM 4 WERE EXECUTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b-5-1 TRADING PLAN.

by Sandra L. Lambert for 04/26/2007 Thomas M. O'Brien

\*\* 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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