## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  OBRIEN THOMAS M						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol KADANT INC [ KAI ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  V Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) KADANT INC. ONE ACTON PLACE, SUITE 202						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2006								Leave the Striet (specify below)  CFO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT					
(Street) ACTON MA 01720					4.1	If Ame	endme	nt, Date	of Original	Original Filed (Month/Day/Ye:				l			o Filing (Check Applicate e Reporting Person re than One Reporting		n
(City)	(S		(Zip)		<u> </u>														
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					saction	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transa	3. 4. Secu Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. 5)			of, or Beneficially rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			nt of s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	Price	e	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			08/3	30/200	6			М		900	A	\$13	3.05	14,	624		D	
Common Stock				08/30/2006					S		900	D \$2		5.09	13,724		D		
Common Stock				08/30/2006		6			M		900	900 A		3.05	14,624		D		
Common Stock				08/30/2006		6			S		900	900 D		6.08	13,724		D		
Common Stock				08/30/2006		6			M		100	A	\$13	3.05	13,824		D		
Common Stock				08/30/2006		6			S		100	100 D \$		5.07	13,724		D		
Common Stock				08/3	08/30/2006				M		4,700	) A	\$13	3.05	18,424		D		
Common Stock 08/30/					30/200	0/2006					4,700	) D	\$26	\$26.05		5,724		D	
Common Stock 08/30/					30/200	0/2006					3,200	) A	\$13	\$13.05		16,924		D	
Common Stock 08/30/					30/200	)/2006					3,200	) D	\$	26	13,724		D		
Common Stock 08/30/					30/200	/2006			М	M 2		A	A \$13.05		13,924		D		
		-	Table II -								osed of,				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	d Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of		6. Date E	xercis	sable and		nd Amou ities ng e Securit and 4)	unt 8. De Se ity (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct ( or Indir (I) (Inst	Ownership	ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$13.05	08/30/2006		М				10,000	12/10/20	01	12/10/2008	Common Stock	10,00	00	\$0 40		000 D		
xplanatio	n of Respons	ses:																	

## Remarks:

THE TRANSACTIONS REPORTED ON THIS FORM 4 WERE EXECUTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN.

Sandra L. Lambert for Thomas 08/31/2006 M. O'Brien

\*\* 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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