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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) KADANT INC [KAI] LEONARD THOMAS C X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 10/02/2021 KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) Х Form filed by One Reporting Person WESTFORD MA 01886 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 3. 6. Ownership Execution Date Securities Form: Direct of Indirect

	(Month/Day/Year)	if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	10/02/2021		М		252	Α	(1)	11,186	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature Execution Date Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Conversion Amount of Securities Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect Date (Month/Day/Year) of Expiration Date Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Security or Exercise Securities Form: Beneficial (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative (Month/Dav/Year) Securities Underlying Derivative S Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Acquired Owned Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) ecurity Security (A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (I) (Instr. 4) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) and 5) Amount Number Expiration Date of Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Restricted Common 10/02/2021 (1)252 \$0.0 M 01/31/2022 252 **\$**0 252 D Stock Unit Stock

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents partial vesting of a restricted stock unit award on October 2, 2021 and delivery of shares to the reporting person pursuant to the terms of a restricted stock unit award agreement dated May 19, 2021. The remainder of the shares vest on the last day of the Issuer's fourth quarter of fiscal 2021 provided the recipient continues to serve as a director of the Issuer's

Remarks:

/s/ Stacy D. Krause, by power of attorney

10/04/2021

** 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).

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