## 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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			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [ KAI ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2016	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP, GENERAL COUNSEL, SECRETARY
(Street) WESTFORD (City)	MA (State)	01886 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/10/2016		М		1,363	A	(1)	20,270	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		F		443	D	\$42.2	19,827	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		М		948	A	(2)	20,775	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		F		308	D	\$42.2	20,467	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		М		236	A	(3)	20,703	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		F		77	D	\$42.2	20,626	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		М		808	Α	(4)	21,434	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		F		263	D	\$42.2	21,171	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		М		207	A	(5)	21,378	D			
Common Stock	03/10/2016		F		68	D	\$42.2	21,310	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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ion Date of /Day/Year) U D		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2016		М			1,363	(1)	03/10/2016	Common Stock	1,363(1)	\$ <mark>0</mark>	0	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2016		М			948	(2)	03/10/2017	Common Stock	948(2)	\$ <mark>0</mark>	948	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2016		М			236	(3)	03/10/2017	Common Stock	236 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ <mark>0</mark>	236	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2016		М			808	(4)	03/10/2018	Common Stock	808(4)	\$ <mark>0</mark>	1,618	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/10/2016		М			207	(5)	03/10/2018	Common Stock	207 <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ <mark>0</mark>	412	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 6, 2013. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2016 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

2. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 5, 2014. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2016 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

3. The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted March 5, 2014. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2016 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

4. The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted March 9, 2015. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2016 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

5. The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted March 9, 2015. One-third of the RSU vested and became distributable on March 10, 2016 and was converted to common

stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

Remarks:

### Sandra L. Lambert

03/11/2016 Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

 $^{\ast}$  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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