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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*          KRAUSE STACY D.         (Last)       (First)       (Middle)         ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE					3. E	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [KAI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2021									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer heck all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, General Counsel, Secretary				vner specify	
(Street) WESTF( (City)	WESTFORD MA 01886					Line) X Form filed									iled by On	oint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ed by One Reporting Person ed by More than One Reporting				
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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/Day	d Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e S Ily I	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.0	03/09/2021			A		1,891		(1)		04/30/2024	Comm Stock		1,891	\$0	1,891	L	D		
Restricted	\$0.0	03/09/2021		T	A		473		(2)	T	04/30/2024	Comm		473	\$ <mark>0</mark>	473		D		

Explanation of Responses:

Stock Unit

1. Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The RSU vests and is distributable in three equal installments beginning on March 10, 2022, provided that the Issuer meets certain performance requirements for fiscal 2021 and the reporting person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date. The maximum number of shares the reporting person may receive is 150% of the RSU amount.

2. This RSU vests and becomes exercisable in three annual installments beginning on March 10, 2022, provided the reporting person is employed by the Issuer on the vesting date. Remarks:

> /s/ Stacy D. Krause \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Stock

03/09/2021 Date

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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