

GRACO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CARROLL WILLIAM J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
88 11TH AVENUE NE  
(Street)  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**GRACO INC [GGG]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/07/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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

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**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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. P... Deri... Secu... (Instr...) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|
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| Derivative Security |                     |            | or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |     | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title      | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------|---|-----|------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------------|
|                     | Code                | V          | (A)                                     | (D) |                  |                 |            |                            |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup> | 05/07/2007 | J <sup>(2)</sup>                        | V   | 49.704           | <u>(1)</u>      | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock 49.704 39     |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup> | 08/06/2007 | J <sup>(2)</sup>                        | V   | 48.262           | <u>(1)</u>      | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock 48.262 \$ 4   |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup> | 11/13/2007 | J <sup>(2)</sup>                        | V   | 50.631           | <u>(1)</u>      | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock 50.631 \$ 3   |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup> | 02/11/2008 | J <sup>(2)</sup>                        | V   | 63.873           | <u>(1)</u>      | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock 63.873 35     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CARROLL WILLIAM J<br>88 11TH AVENUE NE<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: William J. Carroll 04/18/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) and are to be settled 100% in Graco common stock in a lump sum or installments upon reporting person's termination of service on the Board.
- (2) Phantom stock units acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the Company's deferred stock program, exempt under Rule 16a-11.

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