

KADANT 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 \*  
**OBRIEN THOMAS M**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK  
DRIVE**

(Street)

**WESTFORD, MA 01886**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**KADANT INC [KAI]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**03/10/2015**

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)  
**CFO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)	Price		
Common Stock	03/10/2015		M	4,835	A	14,454	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015		F	1,597	D	\$ 46.99	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015		M	4,497	A	17,354	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015		F	2,199	D	\$ 46.99	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015		M	3,128	A	18,283	D

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Common Stock	03/10/2015	F	1,474	D	\$ 46.99	16,809	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015	M	778	A	(4)	17,587	D
Common Stock	03/10/2015	F	366	D	\$ 46.99	17,221	D

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 Derivative Security	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) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0	03/10/2015		M	4,835	<u>(1)</u> 03/10/2015	Common Stock	4,835 <u>(1)</u>
Restricted Stock Unit <u>(2)</u>	\$ 0	03/10/2015		M	4,497	<u>(2)</u> 03/10/2016	Common Stock	4,497 <u>(2)</u>
Restricted Stock Unit <u>(3)</u>	\$ 0	03/10/2015		M	3,128	<u>(3)</u> 03/10/2017	Common Stock	3,128 <u>(3)</u>
Restricted Stock Unit <u>(4)</u>	\$ 0	03/10/2015		M	778	<u>(4)</u> 03/10/2017	Common Stock	778 <u>(4)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

OBRIEN THOMAS M  
ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE  
WESTFORD, MA 01886

CFO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

## Signatures

by Sandra L. Lambert for Thomas M.  
O'Brien

03/12/2015

\_\_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 shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted 3/7/2012. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2015 and was converted to vested 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 3/6/2013. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2015 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.
- (3) The shares represent the partial settlement under a performance-based RSU award granted 3/5/2014. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2015 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.
- (4) The shares represent the partial settlement under a time-based RSU award granted 3/5/2014. One-third vested on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

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