

RAINVILLE WILLIAM A
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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 *
RAINVILLE WILLIAM A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

KADANT INC., 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)
01/01/2011

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)

EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	01/01/2011		M		20,400 A <u>11</u>	236,471	D
Common Stock	01/01/2011		F		6,287 D \$ 23.57	230,184	D
Common Stock	01/01/2011		M		16,027 A <u>12</u>	246,211	D
Common Stock	01/01/2011		F		4,627 D \$ 23.57	243,150 ⁽³⁾	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	01/01/2011		M	20,400	<u>(1)</u> 01/01/2011	Common Stock	20,400
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	01/01/2011		M	16,027	<u>(2)</u> 01/01/2011	Common Stock	16,027

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RAINVILLE WILLIAM A KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE WESTFORD, MA 01886	X		EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN	

Signatures

by Sandra L. Lambert for William A.
Rainville 01/04/2011

**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 issued represent the final settlement under a restricted stock unit ("RSU") award granted March 8, 2008. The RSU vested 100% on 01/01/2011 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

(2) The shares issued represent the settlement under a RSU award granted March 3, 2009. The RSU vested 2/3 on 01/01/2011 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

(3) Includes 1566 shares acquired in an exempt transaction pursuant to the Issuer's ESPP on December 31, 2010.

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