RAINVILLE WILLIAM A

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RAINVILLE WILLIAM A			2. Issuer Symbol KADAN		d Ticker or Trading [KAI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction		(Check all applicable)				
			(Month/D	ay/Year)		_X_ Director	109	% Owner	
KADANT INC., ONE			03/31/20)12			e titleOth	ner (specify	
TECHNOLO	RIVE				below)	below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WESTFORD, MA 01886						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	illy Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Dee	emed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature	
Security	(Month/Day/Y	ear) Execution	on Date, if	Transac	tionAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	

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(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/31/2012		M	1,250	A	<u>(1)</u>	49,400	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)

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/31/2012		M	1,250	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common	1,250	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RAINVILLE WILLIAM A

KADANT INC.

KADANT INC. ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE WESTFORD, MA 01886

Signatures

by Sandra L. Lambert for William A. Rainville

04/03/2012

**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) Represents partial vesting of restricted stock unit award on 03/31/2012 and delivery of shares to the reporting person pursuant to the terms of a restricted stock unit award agreement dated 03/08/2012.

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