

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                     |  |
| Â Palatnik Kevin S.                       |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC [CDNS]                                      |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                       | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
|   |         | 04/23/2008                           |  |  |
| 2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG. 5                |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                   |
|   |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                       |
| SAN JOSE, CA 95134                        |         |                                      | (give title below)   | (specify below)                                      |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | Sr. Vice President, CFO  |  |
|   |         |                                      | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |  |
|   |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |
|   |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 129,285   | D  | Â   |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
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|   | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date |              | Amount or Number of Shares |           | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |   |
|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1)            | 06/15/2011      | Common Stock | 125,000                    | \$ 21.985 | D                          | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2)            | 12/28/2011      | Common Stock | 25,000                     | \$ 22.35  | D                          | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (3)            | 05/15/2014      | Common Stock | 50,000                     | \$ 21.58  | D                          | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (4)            | 04/23/2015      | Common Stock | 100,000                    | \$ 11.24  | D                          | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| Palatnik Kevin S.<br>2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG. 5<br>SAN JOSE, CA 95134 | Â             | Â         | Â Sr. Vice President, CFO | Â     |

## Signatures

Kevin S. Palatnik 05/01/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Option was granted on June 15, 2001 and is fully vested.
- (2) Option was granted on December 28, 2001 and is fully vested.
- (3) Option was granted on May 15, 2007 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafter.
- (4) Option was granted on April 23, 2008 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafter.

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