RAINVILLE WILLIAM A

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RAINVILLE WILLIAM A Issuer Symbol KADANT INC [KAI] (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last)

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

KADANT INC., ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE

(Street)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2011

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN

Applicable Line)

below)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WESTFORD, MA 01886

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y 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. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/01/2011		M	20,400	A	(1)	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>(2)</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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	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	(2)	01/01/2011	Common Stock	16,027

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	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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