FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Boyce Michael Ross</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2017									Office below	r (give title)		Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) NORTH	FIELD II		60093 (Zip)		4. If	f Ame	ndment	t, Date	of Original	Filed	(Month/E	Day/Year)		6. Indiv _ine) X	Form	Joint/Group filed by One filed by More n	Repo	rting Perso	n
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			e, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acqui ed Of (D) (In		4 and Securit		es ially Following	Form:	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		:e	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		ı of		6. Date Exe Expiration I (Month/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	, C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r					
Stock Awards	(1)(2)	07/03/2017			A		2		(3)		(3)	Common Stock	2		87.14	723		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ Each \ Stock \ Award \ represents \ the \ right \ to \ receive \ one \ share \ of \ issuer \ common \ stock.$
- 2. Each Stock Award represents the right to receive one share of issuer Common Stock.
- 3. Stock Awards are payable in shares following separation from service.

/s/ Matthew Michael Rice, Attorney-in-Fact 07/05/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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