FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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POTTER (Last) 22 W. FRO (Street)	22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/29/2006 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Directors Deferred Compensation Plan	\$29.23	09/29/2006		J			359 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1	988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	359	\$29.23	11,35	2	D		
Directors Deferred Compensation Plan	\$29.23	10/02/2006		J		352		08/08/1	988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	352	\$29.23	11,70	4	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. On September 29, 2006, 359 shares were disposed of from the Directors Deferred Compensation Plan account and paid in cash to the Director pursuant to the provisions of the Director's Agreement with Stepan Company.

Remarks:

<u>Kathleen M. Owens, by Power</u> <u>of Attorney for Robert G. Potter</u>

10/02/2006

** 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).
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