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*  WEHMER EDWARD J						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]									elationship ck all appl Direct	•			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/29/2017									Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Ac	cquired,	Dis	posed	of, or B	enefi	cially	/ Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date			Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Dispose	rities Acquired (A) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amor Securiti Benefic Owned Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ies Form cially (D) Following (I) (I ed ction(s)		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		S (1	. Price of Perivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				,	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		kpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Stock Awards	(1)	09/29/2017			A		30		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	30	)	\$83.66	12,304		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

<u>/s/ Matthew Michael Rice,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u> <u>10/03/2017</u>

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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