Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D	.C. 20549
---------------	-----------

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See

OMB APPROVAL								
OMB Number: 3235-0287								
Estimated average burden								
hours per response	: 0.5							

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Behrens Scott R.  (Last) (First) (Middle)  1101 SKOKIE BOULEVARD, SUITE 500  (Street)  NORTHBROOK IL 60062		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  STEPAN CO [ SCL ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2023  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							(Check X X	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President & CEO  Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)						
(City) (State) (Zip)										Perso		ic trair	one rep	orung		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			red (A) o str. 3, 4	4 and Secur Benef		cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
					Code	v	Amount	(A) o	Pric	9	Transa	ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/17/20	)23		A		90.31	A	\$10	9.49	4,086.909				By Esop II Trust		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any	ution Date, Code th/Day/Year)		saction le (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4)		t		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
		Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exercis	sable	Date	Title	Shares						

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti

02/21/2023 Attorney-in-Fact for Scott R.

**Behrens** 

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Signature of Reporting Person Date