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 ]										ationship k all appl Direct	,				
(Loot) (Firot) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017										Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	specify		
(Street) NORTHI	FIELD II		60093 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	es Ad	cquired,	Dis	posed	of, or Be	enefic	ially	Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date			Code	action Dispose (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 t (A) or (D) Pri		and	5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ies Form cially (D) ( Following (I) (I ed ction(s)		n: Direct r 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 I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative s (Instr. 3 and		De Se (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Stock Awards	(1)	01/03/2017			A		28		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	28		\$81.48	11,172		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.

/s/ Matthew Michael Rice, Attorney-in-Fact 01/03/2017

\*\* 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).
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