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>LAWTON GREGORY E</u>							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]									of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer cable) or 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2020									Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) NORTHI	NORTHFIELD IL 60093				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Indi Line) X	′				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date			Code	nsaction Dispos de (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		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. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, 1	4. Transactior Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		Deriv Secu (Insti	Price of erivative ecurity astr. 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)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er					
Stock Awards	(1)	01/02/2020			A		15		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	15	\$	3102.44	5,667		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 pursuant to the director's election either following separation from service or after a specified age.

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti,

Attorney-in-fact for Gregory E. 01/02/2020

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

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