## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LAWTON GREGORY E							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]									of Reportin cable) or	ting Person(s) to Issuer			
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2010									Officer below)	(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 le)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(Oity)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					action	2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Trans Code	action	4. Secur Dispose	rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		or	5. Amou Securiti Benefic	unt of 6. C fes (D) ially (I) (I Following (I) (I)		n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Т	able II - I )						juired, [ s, optio						Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		S (I	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		kpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						
Stock Awards	\$51.21	02/09/2010			J		488		08/08/198	8 08	3/08/1988	Common Stock	48	3	\$51.21	2,168		D		

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Kathleen O. Sherlock, By

Power of Attorney for Gregory 02/10/2010

E. Lawton

\*\* 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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