

Servatius Gregory
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Servatius Gregory

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD
 (Street)

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STEPAN CO [SCL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/15/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP of Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/15/2017 | | A | V | 52.204 | A | |
| | | | | | \$ 79.84 | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 19,275.651 | D | |
| | | | | | 9,033.356 | I | By Esop II Trust |

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

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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) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Share Units ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | 12/15/2017 | | A | 18.869 | <u>(5)(6)(7)(8)</u> <u>(5)(6)(7)(8)</u> | Common Stock | 18.869 \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Servatius Gregory 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 | | | VP of Human Resources | |

Signatures

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, attorney-in-fact for Gregory
Servatius 12/19/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan (As Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 2015) ("MIP"), a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows MIP participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to MIP provisions.
 - (2) Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2010 ("MIP"), a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows MIP participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to MIP provisions.
 - (3) Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2010 ("Plan"), a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows Plan participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to Plan provisions.
 - (4) Share Units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock.
 - (5) Reflects acquisition of Share Units pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.
 - (6) Reflects acquisition of Share Units pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the Plan, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.

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(7) Reflects acquisition of Share Units under the MIP, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.

(8) Reflects acquisition of Share Units under the Plan, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.

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