### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

# **OMB APPROVAL**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DeCata Michael G  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC.  8770 WEST BRYN MAWR AVENUE, SUITE 900 |   |  |  |    |                             | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAWSON PRODUCTS INC/NEW/DE/ [ LAWS ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/11/2018 |  |        |   |               |                    |  |  | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner     X Officer (give title below)      President and CEO |  |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|--|----|-----------------------------|--|--|--------|---|---------------|--------------------|--|--|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| (Street) CHICAGO IL 60631 (City) (State) (Zip)  |   |  |  |    | 4. 1                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   |  |        |   |               |                    |  |  | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person    |  |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D  |   |  |  |    | action 2<br>Day/Year) i     |  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |        | 3. 4. Transaction Code (Instr.                                |               | 4. Securitie       | osed of, or Benefic  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |  | 5. Amoun  | i<br>Ily   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |  |  |    |                             |  | Code   | v      | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price              | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)   |  |   |  | (Instr. 4)  |   |   |  |
|   |   |  | Table II -   |    |                             |  |  | -      | -   |               | osed of, o         |  | -                                      | Owned   |  |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Da<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Y | Co | Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |  | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |        | 6. Date Exercisable ar<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |               | te                 | 7. Title and of Securiti Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 and                 | ies<br>g<br>Security                   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported |   | 10.<br>Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4)               |  |
|   |   |  |  | Co | ode                         | v  | (A)  | (D)    | Date<br>Exercisa  | able          | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   | Transacti<br>(Instr. 4)  | ion(s)  |   |   |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Awards   | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | J  | (1)                         |  |  | 2,000  | 12/31/2   | 019           | 12/31/2019         | Common<br>Stock  | 2,000                                  | \$0   | 0  |   | D   |   |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Awards <sup>(2)</sup>  | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | A  | (3)                         |  | 2,000  |        | 12/31/2   | 019           | 12/31/2019         | Common<br>Stock  | 2,000                                  | \$0   | 2,000  | 0   | D   |   |  |
| Market<br>Stock<br>Units  | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | J  | (1)                         |  |  | 86,901 | 12/31/2   | 019           | 12/31/2019         | Common<br>Stock  | 86,901                                 | \$0   | 0  |   | D   |   |  |
| Market<br>Stock<br>Units <sup>(4)</sup>   | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | A  | (3)                         |  | 86,901   |        | 12/31/2   | 019           | 12/31/2019         | Common<br>Stock  | 86,901                                 | \$0   | 86,90  | )1  | D   |   |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Awards   | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | J  | (1)                         |  |  | 29,083 | 08/14/2   | 020           | 08/14/2020         | Common<br>Stock  | 29,083                                 | \$0   | 0  |   | D   |   |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock   | \$0.0   | 04/11/2018                                 |  | A  | (3)                         |  | 29,083   |        | 08/14/2   | 020           | 08/14/2020         | Common<br>Stock  | 29,083                                 | \$0   | 29,08  | 33  | D   |   |  |

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These previously-granted awards have been canceled in accordance with the (i) Amendment No. 1 to Award Agreement by the between the Issuer and the Reporting Person dated as of August 14, 2017 and entered into on April 11, 2018 and (ii) Amended and Restated Restricted Stock Award Agreement entered into on April 11, 2018 between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- 2. The restricted stock reported will vest on December 31, 2019 if the Reporting Person is still employed by the Issuer. The Reporting Person is required to hold 100% of the restricted stock that vests, net of taxes, until December 31, 2021.
- 3. These awards were granted to the Reporting Person in accordance with the (i) Amended and Restated Restricted Stock Award Agreement entered into on April 11, 2018 between the Issuer and the Reporting Person; and (ii) Award Agreement entered into on April 11, 2018 between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- 4. Represents the right to receive an amount of shares of common stock, up to the amount set forth in the table, based upon the performance of the Issuer's common stock from the grant date to December 31, 2019.
- 5. Represents the right to receive shares of common stock on the exercise date in an amount equal to the number of restricted stock awards.

#### Remarks:

/s/ Neil E. Jenkins, Attorney-in-

04/13/2018

Fact

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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