FORM 3

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

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Sullivan Kevin F			2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRIFFON CORP [ GFF ]					
(Last) C/O GRIFFON 712 FIFTH A'  (Street) NEW YORK (City)		(Middle)	01/30/2013	4.		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	son(s) to Issu 10% Own Other (spe below)	er (	Month/Day/Yea  3. Individual or J Applicable Line)  X Form file Person	Dint/Group Filing (Check  I by One Reporting  I by More than One
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				1-	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secu 4)			4. Convers or	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
				Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	or Indirective (I) (Instr. 5	

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Seth L. Kaplan, as attorneyin-fact <u>02/01/2013</u>

\*\* 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 5 (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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Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Seth L. Kaplan, Robert F. Mehmel and Douglas J. Wetmore, signing individually, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare and execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Griffon Corporation (the 'Company'), (a) a Form ID (Uniform Application for Access Codes to file on EDGAR), (b) Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, (c) Forms 144 in accordance with Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, and (d) any other forms or reports the undersigned may be required to file, each in connection with the undersigned's ownership, acquisition, or disposition of securities of the Company; and
- (2) file such forms or reports with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power or substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company unless either revoked in writing by the undersigned or, as to each attorney-in-fact, until such time as such attorney-in-fact ceases to be an employee of Griffon Corporation or one of its affiliates.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this  $27 \, \text{th}$  day of January, 2013.

/s/ Kevin F. Sullivan

Signature

Name: Kevin F. Sullivan