

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>WHALEN JOSEPH J</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>24 CHESAPEAKE DRIVE</u> _____ (Street) <u>HOLMDEL NJ 07733</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GRIFFON CORP [GFF]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/11/2011</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/11/2011		A		2,500	A	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	24,123	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted stock grant under Company's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. The stock will vest in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on February 11, 2012.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Seth L. Kaplan, pursuant to power-of-attorney 02/15/2011

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Seth L. Kaplan, Douglas J. Wetmore and Patrick L. Alesia 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) Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, (b) Forms 144 in accordance with Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, and (c) 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 ____ day of January, 2011.

Signature

Print Name