

Soderberg John Lewis
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Soderberg John Lewis

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1757 SNOWFLAKE PLACE
 (Street)

ONALASKA, WI 54650

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FASTENAL CO [FAST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/15/2019

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)
 Executive Vice President

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | M | 7,500 A \$ 42 | 7,500 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | S | 7,500 D \$ 63.0012 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,741 ⁽²⁾ | I | Held in 401(K) Plan |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 42 | 02/15/2019 | | M | 7,500 | <u>(1)</u> 05/31/2024 | Common Stock | 7,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|--|
| Soderberg John Lewis 1757 SNOWFLAKE PLACE ONALASKA, WI 54650 | Director 10% Owner Officer Executive Vice President |

Signatures

John J.
Milek-Attorney-in-Fact 02/19/2019
*_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).
- The options will fully vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with 50% of the options vesting and becoming exercisable
- (1) half way through the relevant vesting period, and the remainder vesting and becoming exercisable incrementally (20%, 20% and 10%) each year thereafter.
 - (2) Shares attributed to reporting person's account within issuer's 401(K) Plan as of February 1, 2019 and includes 323 shares acquired since the holdings report filed on 1/26/2018.

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