

Proto Labs Inc
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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 *
WAY JOHN

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE
 (Street)

MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2016

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)
 Chief Financial Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/08/2016		A		6,480 (1) \$ 57.88	12,626 (2)	D

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)

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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	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.45	02/08/2016		A	14,185	(3) 02/08/2026	Common Stock	14,185

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WAY JOHN 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Samuel A. Rosenbaum,
attorney-in-fact
Date: 02/10/2016

**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) The restricted stock units vest as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2017.

Reports the total number of shares of Common Stock of the issuer held by the reporting person as of February 8, 2016, including a total of

(2) 356 shares of Common Stock of the issuer purchased by the reporting person through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan program on November 16, 2015.

(3) The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2017.

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