## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FEIN DAVID M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Proto Labs Inc [ PRLB ]									c all appli Directo	or		10% O\	wner
(Last) 5540 PIC	(Last) (First) (Middle) 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2017									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Chief Revenue Officer					
(Street)  MAPLE PLAIN MN 55359  (City) (State) (Zip)				- 4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tal	le I - No	n-Deriv	vative	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o	of, or Be	nefici	ally	Owned	ł			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/					ar) E	A. Deemo Execution f any Month/Da	Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			and Securiti Benefic Owned		es ally Following	Forn (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	Price	•	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			
Common Stock 02/13/2					3/2017	2017			A		6,430	(1) A	\$58	3.35	8,	8,280		D	
			Table II -									, or Ben ble sec			wned		-		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	e (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S (li	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	ber					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$58.35	02/13/2017			A		4,535		(2)		02/13/2027	Common Stock	4,535	5	\$0	4,535	5	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The restricted stock units vest as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2018.
- 2. The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2018.

/s/ Samuel A. Rosenbaum, 02/15/2017 attorney-in-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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