FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LAWTON EDGAR H III						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SONOCO PRODUCTS CO [ SON ]									all appli Directo	cable) or	g Per	son(s) to Iss	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH SECOND ST P O BOX 160					07/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2016  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										(give title	Filing	Other (s below)	
(Street) HARTSVILLE SC			29551-016 (Zip)	-	4. II Allichanicit, Date of Original Filed (Mohili/Day/Teal)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(3)			-Deriv	/ative		curitie	<u> </u>	ouired C	ier	n hazn	of or Re	neficia	ally	Owner	1			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					action	Execution Date			3. 4. Secur Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ad Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned Reporte		nt of es ally Following d	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	Code (Ins				6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity istr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y Ov Fo Di or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Ex Da	epiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	per					
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	07/01/2016			A		548.7		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	548.7	,	\$50.12	29,617.	6	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Sonoco Products Company common stock.
- 2. The phantom stock units were accrued under the Sonoco Products Company directors deferred compensation plan and are to be settled in Sonoco Products Company common stock 6 months after the reporting person's retirement.

By: Elizabeth R. Kremer-

Power of Attorney for Edgar 07/06/2016

Lawton, III

\*\* 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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