FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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 ]									ionship of Reporting all applicable) Director		10%	Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH SECOND ST				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2010									Office below	er (give title w)	Othe belo	r (specify w)		
P O BOX 160						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2010								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
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		Tabl	e I - N	lon-Deri	/ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or E	Benefici	ally (	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y				Execution Date,		,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and				nd 5) Secui Bener		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect			
								v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(moun 4)		
Common Stock 05/24/20			010	10			S		27,397	D	\$30.24	).2458 <sup>(1)</sup>		5,305	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares sold at an average price of \$30.2458. Actual share sale price ranged between \$30.10 to \$30.73

## Remarks:

By: George S. Hartley - Power of Attorney for Edgar Lawton, 05/25/2010 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).
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