## FORM 5

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL **OWNERSHIP**

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Form 4	4 Transactions	Reported.	FI	or Section					mpany Act		1934						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KUNKLE GARY K JR				DENT	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/  [ (XRAY) ]						E/ (Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2873 DEER CHASE LANE					3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003						ur)	CHAIRMAN AND CEO					
(Street) YORK PA 17403 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tab	le I - Non-Deri	vative Se	curitie	es Ac	quired	l, Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution I	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)							5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned at	S Owner		ship Ind Direct Be	Nature of irect neficial mership			
			(MOIIIII/Day/Teal)		8)	А	Amount	. (	A) or D) Pr	ice	Issuer's Fiscal Ind		Indirec (Instr. 4	irect (I) (Instr. 4)			
		7	Table II - Deriva (e.g.,	ative Secu puts, calls								Owned					
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)	of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D)	of Expiration Date Amount Securities Securities Acquired Derivativ		7. Title ar Amount of Securitie Underlyin Derivativ (Instr. 3 a	of s ng e Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)			10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option	\$44.28	12/15/2003		A	66,100		12/15/20	004	12/15/2013	Common Stock	66,100	\$0	66,1	.00	D		
Stock Option	\$44.28	12/15/2003		A	66,100		12/15/20	005	12/15/2013	Common Stock	66,100	\$0	66,1	.00	D		
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**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

/s/ KUNKLE, JR., GARY K. 02/27/2004

\*\* 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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