FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Last) (First) (Middle) 8170 MAPLE LAWN BOULEVARD				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner				5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
SUITE 180					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street)				SVP - CBS & Supply Chain				X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One			
FULTON 	MD	20759							Reporting Po		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
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Common Stock, par value \$.001					7.9707	I		By son			
Common Stock, par value \$.001					7.9707	I		By son			
Common Stock, par value \$.001					7.9707	I		By daughter			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  2. Date Exercisable at Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ate	3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Security	ty (Instr. 4) Conve		rcise	cise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price o Derivat Securit	ive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

## Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24.1- Power of Attorney for Stephen Wittig

/s/ A. Lynne Puckett, Attorneyin-Fact 09/01/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of the Chief Executive Officer, General Counsel and the Chief Financial Officer of Colfax Corporation the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and the timely filing of such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This Power of Attorney can only be revoked by delivering a signed, original "Revocation of Power of Attorney" to the attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 31st day of August, 2011.

/s/ Stephen Wittig Stephen Wittig