FORM 3

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

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Gajewski Kristen</u>			2. Date of Requiring (Month/Da)	Statement y/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  AVIENT CORP [ AVNT ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) AVIENT CENTER				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner X Officer (give Other (specify below)  SVP & CHRO			Filed (Month/Day/Year)  er  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing			
(Street) AVON LAKE	OH 44012									
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Owner Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	Direct Indirect	Ownership (Instr. 5)		
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## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The information in this report is based on a plan statement as of February 1, 2023.
- 2. The restricted stock units vest 3 years from the date of grant on February 10, 2023.
- 3. The restricted stock units include all dividend equivalents acquired since the date of grant. Dividend equivalents are subject to the same restrictions as the underlying grant of restricted stock units.
- 4. The restricted stock units vest 3 years from the date of grant on February 8, 2024.
- 5. The restricted stock units vest 3 years from the date of grant on February 14, 2025.
- 6. SARs become exercisable and vest only upon the achievement of both price and time requirements. To vest, each one-third of the grant must attain 10%, 15% and 20% stock appreciation, respectively (which must be maintained for a minimum of thirty consecutive trading days) from the grant date closing price of \$41.89 per share and no more than onethird of the grant can vest per year during the first three years.
- 7. SARs become exercisable and vest only upon the achievement of both price and time requirements. To vest, each one-third of the grant must attain 10%, 15% and 20% stock appreciation, respectively (which must be maintained for a minimum of thirty consecutive trading days) from the grant date closing price of \$31.54 per share and no more than onethird of the grant can vest per year during the first three years.
- 8. SARs become exercisable and vest only upon the achievement of both price and time requirements. To vest, each one-third of the grant must attain 10%, 15% and 20% stock

appreciation, respectively (which must be maintained for a minimum of thirty consecutive trading days) from the grant date closing price of \$31.48 per share and no more than one-third of the grant can vest per year during the first three years.

9. SARs become exercisable and vest only upon the achievement of both price and time requirements. To vest, each one-third of the grant must attain 10%, 15% and 20% stock appreciation, respectively (which must be maintained for a minimum of thirty consecutive trading days) from the grant date closing price of \$42.27 per share and no more than one-third of the grant can vest per year during the first three years.

10. SARs become exercisable and vest only upon the achievement of both price and time requirements. To vest, each one-third of the grant must attain 10%, 15% and 20% stock appreciation, respectively (which must be maintained for a minimum of thirty consecutive trading days) from the grant date closing price of \$52.64 per share and no more than one-third of the grant can vest per year during the first three years.

/s/ Lisa K. Kunkle, Power
of Attorney For: Kristen 02/08/2023
Gajewski

\*\* 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 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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Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Robert M. Patterson, Jamie A. Beggs and Lisa K. Kunkle, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact

- 1. Prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC; and
- 2. Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of PolyOne Corporation (the "Corporation"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder; and
- 3. Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 4. 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, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or 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, nor is the Corporation assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibility to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Corporation, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 18th day of January 2023.

	/s/ Kristen Gajewski
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