SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 14,2000

KAMAN CORPORATION (Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter)

Connecticut (State of Incorporation)

0-1093 (Commission File Number) 06-0613548 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1332 Blue Hills Avenue Bloomfield, CT 06002 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (860) 243-7100

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 1. Changes in Control of Registrant.

Charles H. Kaman, the founder, Chairman of the Board and beneficial owner, directly and indirectly, of a majority of the voting stock of the registrant (the "Company"), who has been hospitalized with an artificial hip problem and then with complications from pneumonia, has been determined by his personal physician to be incapacitated and therefore unable to manage his affairs. Effective with this determination, the power to vote shares of the Company's Class B Common Stock (the "Class B Stock") beneficially owned directly and indirectly by Mr. Kaman and representing approximately 68.6% of the total voting power of all voting shares of the Company, has been transferred to fiduciaries previously designated by him pursuant to his estate planning arrangements. Under applicable securities laws, this constitutes a change in control of the Company.

The Class B Stock is the Company's only class of voting securities and is held of record by approximately 78 persons. As of August 14, 2000, Mr. Kaman's direct holdings of 258,375 shares of the Class B Stock accounted for approximately 38.7% of the voting control of the Company. In addition, as of such date, Newgate Associates Limited Partnership, a Connecticut limited partnership in which Mr. Kaman, until August 14, 2000, served as General Partner, held 199,802 shares or approximately 29.9% of the Class B Stock.

Mr. Kaman's direct holdings of Class B Stock are now subject to a power of attorney granting the right to vote such shares to the following seven individuals who will act by majority:

John S. Murtha of Bloomfield, Connecticut, a former senior partner of Murtha Cullina LLP and a former

director and secretary of the Company;

Hartzel Z. Lebed of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, a director of the Company;

Robert M. Garneau of South Glastonbury, Connecticut, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company;

Roberta C. Kaman of Farmington, Connecticut, the wife of Mr. Kaman;

C. William Kaman, II of Fernandina Beach, Florida, the son of Mr. Kaman and a director of the Company;

Steven W. Kaman of Los Angeles, California, the son of Mr. Kaman; and

Cathleen H. Kaman-Wood of Santa Fe, New Mexico, the daughter of Mr. Kaman.

Shares of Class B Stock held by Newgate Associates Limited Partnership are now subject to a voting trust dated August 14, 2000 between John C. Yavis, Jr., a partner of Murtha Cullina LLP, counsel of the Company, who, on August 14, 2000, succeeded Mr. Kaman as General Partner, and ten voting trustees, who shall act by majority and include the seven individuals listed above plus the following three individuals:

T. Jack Cahill of Simsbury Connecticut, President of Kaman Industrial Technologies Corporation;

Admiral Huntington Hardisty (USN-Ret.) of Hartford, Connecticut, formerly President of Kaman Aerospace International Corporation and a director of the Company; and

John C. Yavis, Jr. of Manchester, Connecticut, a partner of Murtha Cullina LLP and the General Partner of Newgate Associates Limited Partnership.

These voting arrangements have been established for Mr. Kaman's estate planning purposes and none of the individuals serving under these arrangements has paid any consideration in connection with such arrangements.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired. Not Applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

The following document is filed as an Exhibit to this Report:

Exhibit 99 - Press Release of the Company, dated August 16, 2000 $\,$

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf, by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

KAMAN CORPORATION

By: Robert M. Garneau Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 16, 2000

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Exhibit Description

Press Release of the Company, dated August 16, 2000 99

KAMAN CORP. ANNOUNCES CHANGE REGARDING CLASS B SHARES

BLOOMFIELD, Connecticut (August 16, 2000) (NASDAQ/AMEX:KAMNA) Kaman Corp. announced today that due to Founder and Chairman of the Board Charles H. Kaman's continuing health condition, the power to vote his majority ownership (direct and indirect) of the company's Class B common shares has been transferred to fiduciaries previously designated by him.

There are 667,814 Class B common shares outstanding, and 22.5 million Class A common shares outstanding. The Class B common stock is the only class of voting securities of the company.

Under applicable securities laws, this constitutes a change in control of the company. In a Form 8-K filing submitted today, the SEC was notified that voting power for Kaman's nearly 69% ownership of the company's Class B shares has passed to two groups of designated individuals, each of which will act by majority vote. The groups include family members, officers and current and former directors of the company. Kaman directly holds nearly 39% of the Class B shares and indirectly holds 30% of the Class B shares through Newgate Associates Limited Partnership.

Kaman Corp., based here, is a \$1 billion company, with businesses in the aerospace, industrial distribution and music markets.

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