## FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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(Last)	(FI IDGEWOO	irst) DD AVENUE	(Middle) 32114 (Zip)		2. <u>B</u> 3. 08	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN & BROWN INC [ BRO ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2004  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director					
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Table I - Non-Deri  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			action	tion 2A. Dec Execut y/Year) if any		ned	Transaction Disposed (Code (Instr. 5)		of, or Beneficial ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 ar						
Common	Common Stock, \$.10 par value		08/20	/2004	2004			S		12,500	D	\$44	89,48	89,484(1)		D			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value											126,	126,730		I		Stock Performance Plan <sup>(2)</sup>			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value													31,9	86				401(k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value											42	5	I		Spou	ıse <sup>(4)</sup>			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	(e.g., p  Title of 2. 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, (Month/Day/Year) if any		puts 4. Transa	tts, calls, warrants  5. Number 6. of Ex			quired, Disposed of s, options, convert 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivativ Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	deriv Secu Bene Own Follo Repo Trans			rship (D) irect itr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal	ole	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares		$\perp$				
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/20	01	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340			10,340 D			
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/20	02	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340		1	10,340			
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Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/200	5 <sup>(6)</sup>	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340	)	1	.0,340	Г		
Stock Options <sup>(5)</sup>	\$9.6719								04/21/200	6 <sup>(6)</sup>	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340	)	1	.0,340	Г		
Stock Options <sup>(6)</sup>	\$31.56								03/23/20	13	03/24/2013	Common Stock	90,381	(7)	9	00,381	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. A portion of these shares was acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Number of shares may reflect reinvested dividends.
- 2. These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Until the satisfaction of conditions contained in that Plan, the recipient has neither voting rights nor dividend entitlement with respect to a portion of these shares, and full ownership will not vest until additional conditions are satisfied.
- 3. Based upon information supplied as of 12/31/03 by the Plan's recordkeeper. Number of shares varies periodically based on contributions to the plan.
- 4. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership in shares owned by Spouse of Reporting Person.
- 5. Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"). Consideration for granted options is grantee's performance and continued service with Company as specified in the Plan.
- 6. Due to the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan, an additional 10,340 options will vest on each of 4/21/05 and 4/21/06, subject to grantee's continued service with the Company as specified in the Plan.
- 7. These options vest and become exercisable on 3/23/13, unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

THOMAS E. RILEY

08/23/2004

\*\* 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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