

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Masters Kenneth R</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 681 S PARKER ST STE 200 (Street) ORANGE CA 92868 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BROWN & BROWN INC [BRO]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Regional Executive Vice Presid</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2008	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value	02/27/2008		A		32,470	A	\$0	52,125	I	Stock Performance Plan ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								6,035 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								86	I	Owned by Spouse ⁽³⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$18.48	02/27/2008		A		75,000		11/26/2017 ⁽⁵⁾	02/26/2018	Common Stock	75,000	75,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- These securities were granted at various dates pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Based on the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to that Plan, the Reporting Person has neither voting rights nor dividend entitlement with respect to these shares, and full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of additional conditions.
- A portion of these shares was acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Number of shares may reflect reinvested dividends.
- Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership in shares owned by Spouse of Reporting Person.
- Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan").
- These options vest and become exercisable on 11/26/17 unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

KENNETH R. MASTERS 02/28/2008
 ** 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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