

BROWN FORMAN CORP  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                     |  |
| Â Brown George Garvin IV                  |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA/BFB]  |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                       | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
|   |         | 05/08/2006                           |  |  |
| 850 DIXIE HWY                             |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director                           | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                   |
| LOUISVILLE,Â KYÂ 40210                    |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                       |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | (give title below)   | (specify below)                                      |
|   |         |                                      | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |  |
|   |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |
|   |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Class A Common                  | 2,997,744   | I  | George Garvin Brown III Trust                         |
| Class B Common                  | 879.8 <sup>(1)</sup>                                  | D  | Â   |
| Class B Common                  | 2,379.2   | I  | By 401(k) Plan  |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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|   | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4)<br>Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|---|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 05/01/2005       | 04/30/2012      | Class B Common      | 630                        | \$ 32.11                     | D  | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 05/01/2006       | 04/30/2013      | Class B Common      | 906                        | \$ 39.23                     | D  | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 05/01/2007       | 04/30/2014      | Class B Common      | 1,491                      | \$ 46.58                     | D  | Â          |
| Stock Appreciation Right                  | 05/01/2008       | 04/30/2015      | Class B Common      | 515                        | \$ 59.18                     | D  | Â          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Brown George Garvin IV<br>850 DIXIE HWY<br>LOUISVILLE, KY 40210 | Â X           | Â         | Â       | Â     |

## Signatures

Nelea A. Absher, Atty. in Fact for George Garvin Brown IV 05/17/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).

(1) Shares acquired under the Brown-Forman Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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