

Hamel Matthew E
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hamel Matthew E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/30/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Gen Counsel and Secretary

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class B Common	04/30/2018		M	V	9,327 A \$ 13.942	44,097 ⁽¹⁾	D
Class B Common	04/30/2018		F		4,602 D \$ 56.04 ⁽²⁾	39,495	D
Class A Common	04/30/2018		F		482 ⁽³⁾ D \$ 53.37 ⁽⁴⁾	22,657	D
Class B Common	04/30/2018		F		121 ⁽⁵⁾ D \$ 56.04 ⁽²⁾	39,374	D
Class B Common						15,427.363 ⁽⁶⁾	I By 401k

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Class B
Common 1,653.1226
(7) I ESPP

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

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>13.942</u> (8)	04/30/2018		M	9,327	05/01/2011 04/30/2018	Class B Common 9,327 (8)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>10.62</u> (9)					05/01/2012 04/30/2019	Class B Common 76,400 (9)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>15.088</u> (10)					05/01/2013 04/30/2020	Class B Common 64,125 (10)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>18.217</u> (11)					05/01/2014 04/30/2021	Class B Common 60,980 (11)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>23.047</u> (12)					05/01/2015 04/30/2022	Class B Common 56,530 (12)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>28.433</u> (13)					05/01/2016 04/30/2023	Class B Common 42,910 (13)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>36.109</u> (14)					05/01/2017 04/30/2024	Class B Common 33,670 (14)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ <u>40.145</u> (15)					05/01/2018 04/30/2025	Class B Common 38,410 (15)

Right

Stock Appreciation Right \$ 38,481
(16)

05/01/2019 04/30/2026

Class B Common 56,477
(16)

Stock Appreciation Right \$ 39,757
(17)

05/01/2020 04/30/2027

Class B Common 47,632
(17)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hamel Matthew E 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210			EVP, Gen Counsel and Secretary	

Signatures

Michael E. Carr, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Matthew E. Hamel 05/02/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) On February 28, 2018, the issuer completed a stock split resulting in the distribution of one share of Class B common stock for every four shares of either Class A or Class B common stock held. On April 23, 2018, the issuer paid a special cash dividend. Total has been updated to reflect the acquisition of 11,581 additional shares in the February 2018 stock split, including 370 shares of Class B common performance-based restricted stock issued in connection with the July 24, 2014 award of Class A common stock.
 - (2) The closing price of BF-B on April 30, 2018 was used to calculate the withholding obligation.
 - (3) To satisfy withholding obligations associated with the July 24, 2014 award of Class A common stock that vested on April 30, 2018, the reporting person surrendered 482 shares of Class A common stock.
 - (4) The closing price of BF-A on April 30, 2018 was used to calculate the withholding obligation.
 - (5) To satisfy withholding obligations associated with the shares of Class B performance-based restricted stock that were issued in the February 2018 stock split and vested on April 30, 2018, the reporting person surrendered 121 shares of Class B common stock.
 - (6) Number of shares acquired through the issuer's 401(k) plan as of April 30, 2018, including shares acquired in the February 2018 stock split.
 - (7) Number of shares acquired through the issuer's employee stock purchase program as of May 2, 2018, including shares acquired in the February 2018 stock split.
 - (8) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 7,324 shares at an exercise price of \$17.755, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
 - (9) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 59,996 shares at an exercise price of \$13.525, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
 - (10) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 50,354 shares at an exercise price of \$19.215, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
 - (11) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 47,884 shares at an exercise price of \$23.20, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.

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- (12) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 44,390 shares at an exercise price of \$29.35, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
- (13) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 33,694 shares at an exercise price of \$36.21, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
- (14) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 26,444 shares at an exercise price of \$45.985, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
- (15) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 30,168 shares at an exercise price of \$51.125, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
- (16) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 44,344 shares at an exercise price of \$49.005, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.
- (17) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 37,406 shares at an exercise price of \$50.63, but were adjusted to reflect the February 2018 stock split and April 2018 special dividend.

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