FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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		or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
Name and Address of Reporting Pers     COLEMAN MELANIE K		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol H&R BLOCK INC [ HRB ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) (First) 4400 MAIN STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2004	X below) below)  VP and Corporate Controller
(Street) KANSAS CITY MO (City) (State)	64111 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	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. Transa Code ( 8)					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(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(111341.4)	
Common Stock, without par value	09/30/2004		J <sup>(1)</sup>		6.501	A	\$48.07	4,691.551	D		
Common Stock, without par value	10/01/2004		<b>J</b> (2)		0.835	A	\$50.49	4,692.298	D		

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Call Option to Purchase	\$45.3							10/21/2004	10/21/2012	Common Stock, without par value	10,000		10,000	D	
Call Option to Purchase	\$43.25							06/30/2004	06/30/2013	Common Stock, without par value	8,000		8,000	D	
Call Option to Purchase	\$47.68							06/30/2005	06/30/2014	Common Stock, without par value	8,000		8,000	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Units acquired under the H&R Block Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, as Amended and Restated. Each unit has the value of one share of Common Stock.
- 2. Units acquired through dividend reinvestment under the H&R Block Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, as Amended and Restated. Each unit has the value of one share of Common Stock.

## Remarks:

By: Michael K. Post per Power of Attorney

10/04/2004

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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).

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