FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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LEWIS DAVID B			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement Month/Day/Year) 1.0/18/2004 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol H&R BLOCK INC [HRB]								
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4400 MAIN STREET				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			(5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) KANSAS CITY	МО	64111			Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
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)		cṫ(D) (Ir	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ate	and 3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secu		ity (Instr. 4) Conve		se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	•	Amount or Number of Shares		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

<u>/s/ Lewis, David Baker</u> <u>10/26/2004</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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