FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287 Estimated average burden

Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to
Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(h)

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HALE ROGER W						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol H&R BLOCK INC [HRB]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4400 MAIN STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2004										r (give title		10% Owner Other (specify below)			
(Street) KANSAS CITY MO 64111						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					
(City) (State) (Zip)																n					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr. 8)			d Of (D) (In	Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Reporte	es ially Following ed	Forr (D) (n: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					1/2004	+			Code	V	Amount	(D)		ce 75	Transac (Instr. 3	and 4)	<u> </u>				
Common	Stock, with	nout par value			4 J ⁽¹⁾ 11 A \$48.75 16,131.095 D Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	f 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deem		(e.g., p	e.g., puts, calls d		5. Number		S, option 6. Date Exe Expiration	, options, converti 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)					Price of erivative ecurity	Price of 9. Numbe derivative curity Securities		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er							
Call Option to Purchase	\$19.625								06/30/1995	6 06	5/30/2004	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	0		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$20.5								06/30/1996	i 06	5/30/2005	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	0		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.375								06/30/1997	06	5/30/2006	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	0		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.125								06/30/1998	06	5/30/2007	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	00		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$21.0625								06/30/1999	06	5/30/2008	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	0		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$25								06/30/2000	06	5/30/2009	Common Stock, without par value	6,00	0		6,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.1875								06/30/2001	. 06	5/30/2010	Common Stock, without par value	6,00	0		6,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$32.275								06/30/2002	2 06	5/30/2011	Common Stock, without par value	6,00	00		6,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$46.15								06/30/2003	06	5/30/2012	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	00		4,000		D			
Call Option to Purchase	\$43.25								06/30/2004	06	5/30/2013	Common Stock, without par value	4,00	0		4,000		D			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Units for dividends paid under the H&R Block Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors. Each unit has the value of one share of Common Stock.

Remarks:

By: Brian H. Schmidt per Power of Attorney

04/05/2004

** 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.