FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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TRUBECK WILLIAM L			Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 0/04/2004	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol H&R BLOCK INC [HRB]							
(Last) 4400 MAIN S	(First) STREET	(Middle)	_		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director	10% Owne	r (Mor	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
(Street) KANSAS CITY (City)	MO (State)	64111 (Zip)			X Officer (give title below) Executive VP and	Other (spe- below)	Appl	6. 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 Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock, without par value					10,000	D						
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 (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
Call Option to	Purchase		10/04/2005	10/04/2014	Common Stock, without par value	50,000	49.81	D				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Trubeck, William L.</u> <u>10/07/2004</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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