FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HALE ROGER W (Last) (First) (Middle) 4400 MAIN STREET						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					
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2004										Officer (give title below)			specify	
(Street) KANSAS CITY MO 64111 (City) (State) (Zip)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
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		Tab	le I - No	n-Deri	vative	Se	ecuriti	es A	cquired, I	Disp	osed o	of, or B	enefi	ciall	y Owne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) Common Stock, without par value 07/01/2						Day/Year) E.		med on Date Day/Ye	Code (Instr. 8)		Dispose	ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		1 and	- Reporte	es ially Following ed	Forr (D) (n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					1/200				Code J(1)	V	Amount	(A) (D)	_	47.60	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			D .		
Common	Stock, with		able II -	<u> </u>	1/2004 ntive S		uritie	s Acc	uired, Di	spo	sed of	or Be		47.68 ———		42.095		D		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		(e.g., p ed n Date,			5. Number		6. Options, converti 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				es)	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		piration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						
Call Option to Purchase	\$20.5								06/30/1996	06	/30/2005	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.375								06/30/1997	06	5/30/2006	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.125								06/30/1998	06	5/30/2007	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$21.0625								06/30/1999	06	5/30/2008	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$25								06/30/2000	06	5/30/2009	Common Stock, without par value	6,0	00		6,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$16.1875								06/30/2001	06	/30/2010	Common Stock, without par value	6,0	00		6,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$32.275								06/30/2002	06	5/30/2011	Common Stock, without par value	6,0	00		6,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$46.15								06/30/2003	06	/30/2012	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$43.25								06/30/2004	06	3/30/2013	Common Stock, without par value	4,0	00		4,000		D		
Call Option to Purchase	\$47.68								06/30/2004	06	30/2014	Common Stock, without	4,0	00		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: Michael K. Post per Power 07/06/2004 of Attorney

** 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).
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