

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): April 16, 2003

H&R BLOCK, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Missouri

1-6089

44-0607856

(State of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

4400 Main Street, Kansas City, MO

64111

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(816) 753-6900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.

On April 16, 2003, H&R Block, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In another matter previously disclosed by the Company on Forms 8-K and 10-Q, the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, on April 15, 2003 denied H&R Block Tax Services, Inc.'s motion to decertify the class in the action *Belinda Peterson, et al. v. H&R Block Tax Services, Inc.*, Case No. 95 CH2389. The case remains scheduled for trial on May 5, 2003.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

H&R BLOCK, INC

Date: April 16, 2003

By: /s/ James H. Ingraham

James H. Ingraham
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued April 16, 2003.



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News Release

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H&R BLOCK TO CONSIDER ALL OPTIONS FOLLOWING COURT RULING

FOR RELEASE APRIL 16, 2003

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — H&R Block Inc. (NYSE:HRB) today confirmed that the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois issued a decision dated April 15, 2003, in the action Reynolds v. Beneficial National Bank, Beneficial Tax Masters Inc., and H&R Block Inc., No. 98 C 2178, and a companion case, (formerly the Zawikowski case) in which the Court declined to approve the parties' proposed settlement of certain class action litigation flowing from the Company's refund anticipation loan program.

"The company is currently reviewing the Judge's decision and will carefully consider all options available," said Chairman and CEO Mark A. Ernst. "We certainly will work to resolve this case in a manner that's in the best interest of our shareholders."

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