

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>YABUKI JEFFERY W</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br>4400 MAIN STREET<br><br>(Street)<br>KANSAS CITY MO 64111<br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>H&amp;R BLOCK INC [ HRB ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br><br>Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>Executive VP and COO</u> |
|  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/30/2004                  |  |
|  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                        |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |            |         | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|---------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock, without par value | 12/30/2004                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 10.509  | A          | \$48.45 | 65,046.0449   | D  |   |
| Common Stock, without par value | 12/30/2004                           |  | G                              | V | 2,000   | D          | \$0     | 63,046.0449   | D  |   |
| Common Stock, without par value |                                      |  |                                |   |   |            |         | 1,272.921 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  | By 401(k)   |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 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   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$23.188   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 09/07/2002   | 09/07/2009      | Common Stock, without par value   | 80,000                                     | 80,000   | D   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$16.188   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 06/30/2003   | 06/30/2010      | Common Stock, without par value   | 70,000                                     | 70,000   | D   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$32.275   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 06/30/2004   | 06/30/2011      | Common Stock, without par value   | 90,000                                     | 90,000   | D   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$46.15  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 06/30/2004   | 06/30/2012      | Common Stock, without par value   | 90,000                                     | 90,000   | D   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$43.25  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 06/30/2004   | 06/30/2013      | Common Stock, without par value   | 90,000                                     | 90,000   | D   |  |
| Call Option to Purchase                    | \$47.68  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 06/30/2005   | 06/30/2014      | Common Stock, without par value   | 85,000                                     | 85,000   | D   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Units acquired under the H&R Block Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, as Amended and Restated. Each unit has the value of one share of Common Stock.
- Units held under the H&R Block Retirement Savings Plan.

**Remarks:**

By: Michael K. Post per Power of Attorney 01/03/2005

\*\* 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).**

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