FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     SERATI TAMMY S						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol H&R BLOCK INC [ HRB ]											all applic Directo	or		10% Owner	
(Last) 4400 M	(F AIN STREE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2004										X	below)	r (give title Other (spe ) below) for VP, Human Resources			' ´			
(Street) KANSAS CITY MO 64111					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					n
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Executi			e,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			d (A) or r. 3, 4 ar	1 and Securiti		es ally Following	Forn (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	1	Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(111511.4)
Common Stock, without par value 01/15/						2004				J <sup>(1)</sup>		2.10	3 A S		\$55	.72	3,264.221		D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	e ercisable		piration te	Title	1	Amount or Number of Shares	1					
Call Option to Purchase	\$39.03								12/	/02/2004	12	/02/2012	Com Sto with par v	ck, nout	20,000			20,000		D	
Call Option to	\$43.25								06/	/30/2004	06	/30/2013	Com Sto with	ck,	14,000			14,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. 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.

## Remarks:

By: Michael K. Post per Power of Attorney

01/15/2004

\*\* 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).
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