

BROWN FORMAN CORP  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Brown George Garvin IV		(Month/Day/Year)	BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA/BFB]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/08/2006	
850 DIXIE HWY			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
LOUISVILLE,Â KYÂ 40210			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			(give title below)	(specify below)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common	2,997,744	I	George Garvin Brown III Trust
Class B Common	879.8 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Class B Common	2,379.2	I	By 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	05/01/2005	04/30/2012	Class B Common	630	\$ 32.11	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	05/01/2006	04/30/2013	Class B Common	906	\$ 39.23	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	05/01/2007	04/30/2014	Class B Common	1,491	\$ 46.58	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2008	04/30/2015	Class B Common	515	\$ 59.18	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Brown George Garvin IV 850 DIXIE HWY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

Nelea A. Absher, Atty. in Fact for George Garvin Brown IV 05/17/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

(1) Shares acquired under the Brown-Forman Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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