

WELCH JAMES S JR  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WELCH JAMES S JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
850 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/01/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Vice Chairman Strategy and HR

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common	06/01/2012		A		5,820 (1)	A	\$ 0 18,271	D
Class B Common							4,251	D

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.83					05/01/2007	04/30/2014	Class B Common	15,958
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 45.53					05/01/2008	04/30/2015	Class B Common	14,754
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 55.69					05/01/2009	04/30/2016	Class B Common	8,465
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 53.8					05/01/2010	04/30/2017	Class B Common	15,019
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 56.58					05/01/2011	04/30/2018	Class B Common	13,785
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 43.1					05/01/2012	04/30/2019	Class B Common	19,763
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 61.24					05/01/2013	04/30/2020	Class B Common	19,745
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 73.95					05/01/2014	04/30/2021	Class B Common	14,020

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

WELCH JAMES S JR  
850 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

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Vice Chairman Strategy and HR

## Signatures

Diane Barhorst, Atty. in Fact for: James S.  
Welch, Jr.

06/01/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).

These shares were issued on June 1, 2012 in connection with a July 23, 2009 award of Class A Common Performance-Based Restricted Stock. The award - initially determined as a cash value - was subject to a three-year performance period, which ended April 30, 2012. The

- (1) number of shares issued was determined by multiplying the cash value of the award by a three-year performance adjustment factor, adjusting upwards to account for dividends paid during the second and third years of the performance period, and then dividing that amount by \$46.40, which was the closing price of the issuer's Class A common stock on the date of the grant.

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