

VARGA PAUL C
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FORM 4

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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 *
VARGA PAUL C

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)
Chairman & CEO

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (D) Price | | |
| Class A Common | 06/01/2012 | | A | | 15,787 (1) \$ 0 | D | |
| Class B Common | | | | | 21,513 | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 43.1 | | | | | 05/01/2012 04/30/2019 | Class B Common | 61,266 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 61.24 | | | | | 05/01/2013 04/30/2020 | Class B Common | 85,299 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 73.95 | | | | | 05/01/2014 04/30/2021 | Class B Common | 60,085 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VARGA PAUL C 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210 | X | | Chairman & CEO | |

Signatures

Diane M. Barhorst, Atty. in Fact for Paul C. Varga
 Signature: _____ Date: 06/01/2012

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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 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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