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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>RILEY THOMAS E</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 5900 N. ANDREWS AVE. SUITE 300 (Street) FT LAUDERDALE FL 33309 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BROWN & BROWN INC [BRO]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Regional Exec. Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/29/2003</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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, \$.10 par value	12/29/2003		M		10,340	A	\$9.6719	101,731	D	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								126,730	I	Stock Performance Plan ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								32,998	I	401(k) Plan ⁽²⁾
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								425	I	Spouse ⁽³⁾

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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.6719	12/29/2003		M			10,340	04/21/2003	04/20/2010	Common Stock	31,020	\$9.6719	20,680	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.6719							04/21/2004 ⁽⁵⁾	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340		10,340	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.6719							04/21/2005 ⁽⁵⁾	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340		10,340	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.6719							04/21/2006 ⁽⁵⁾	04/20/2010	Common Stock	10,340		10,340	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$31.56							03/23/2013	03/24/2013	Common Stock	90,381 ⁽⁶⁾		90,381	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Until the satisfaction of conditions contained in that Plan, the recipient has neither voting rights nor dividend entitlement with respect to a portion of these shares, and full ownership will not vest until additional conditions are satisfied.
- Based upon information supplied as of 9/30/03 by the Plan's recordkeeper. Number of shares varies periodically based on contributions to plan.
- Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership in shares owned by Spouse of Reporting Person.
- Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"). Consideration for granted options is grantee's performance and continued service with Company as specified in the Plan.
- Due to the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan, an additional 10,340 options will vest on each of 4/21/04, 4/21/05 and 4/21/06, subject to grantee's continued service with the Company as specified in the Plan.
- These options vest and become exercisable on 3/23/13, unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

THOMAS E. RILEY 12/29/2003
 ** 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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