FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of F Riordan Michael	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2008 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN & BROWN INC [BRO]										
(Last) (First) 2150 S ANDREWS A	(Middle)			Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director	10% Owner Other (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
(Street) FT LAUDERDALE FL (City) (State)	33316 (Zip)			X Officer (give title below) Regional Execut			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 Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock, \$.10 par value				2,800	D						
Common Stock, \$.10 par value				15,135	I (1)		Performance Stock Plan				
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 Secu Underlying Derivative Secur		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivat Securit	ive	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			

Explanation of Responses:

1. These securities were granted at various dates pursuant to the Company's Performance Stock Plan. Based on the satisfaction of conditions contained in that Plan, the recipient may have voting rights and dividend entitlements with respect to a portion of these shares, but full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of additional conditions.

MICHAEL J. RIORDAN 05/07/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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