

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BROWN J POWELL</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>220 S RIDGEWOOD AVE</u> (Street) <u>DAYTONA FL 32114</u> (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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/10/2007</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value	12/10/2007		G	V	900	A	\$0	973,815	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								3,413	I	Children ⁽²⁾
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								69,560	I	Stock Performance Plan ⁽³⁾
Common Stock, \$.10 par value								12,874	I	401(k) Plan ⁽⁴⁾

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					
Stock Options ⁽⁵⁾	\$4.8359							04/21/2004	04/20/2010	Common Stock	20,680	20,680	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁵⁾	\$4.8359							04/21/2005	04/20/2010	Common Stock	20,680	20,680	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁵⁾	\$4.8359							04/21/2006	04/20/2010	Common Stock	17,960	17,960	D	
Stock Options ⁽⁵⁾	\$15.78							03/23/2013	03/24/2013	Common Stock	50,000	50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- A portion of these shares were previously held by Benalulua Ltd. LLC, a limited liability company, the sole owner of which was an irrevocable trust and the sole beneficiary of which was the reporting person.
- Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of securities owned by children who share reporting person's household. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- These securities were granted at various dates pursuant to the Company's Stock Performance Plan. Based on the satisfaction of conditions contained in that Plan, the reporting person has 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.
- Based upon information supplied as of 12/12/07 by the Plan's recordkeeper. Number of shares varies periodically based on contributions to plan.
- 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.

J. POWELL BROWN 12/12/2007
 ** 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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