Instruction 1(h)

## FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DOWNS LINDA S						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN & BROWN INC [ BRO ]									(Che	ck all applic	r		son(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 220 S. RIDGEWOOD AVE.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/24/2012									2	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  COO and Regional President					
(Street) DAYTO	NA FI	L	32114		4.	If Am	endmer	nt, Dat	e of	Original	Filed	(Month/I	Day/Year)		6. In Line	Form f	led by One	e Repo	(Check Apporting Person	1	
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)													1 01301					
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			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		· /	r, Transaction Disp Code (Instr.			urities Acquired (A) or sed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			Benefici Owned F	es ally Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct I r Indirect I sstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	t (A)	or P	rice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			instr. 4)			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value			07/24	1/2012					G		2,45	50 E	\$	60.000	400,	312(1)		D			
Common Stock, \$.10 par value (PSP)														146,	146,650 <sup>(2)</sup>		D				
Common	mmon Stock, \$.10 par value (SIP)														50,127(3)			D			
			Table II -										of, or Be			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative		d Date,	4. Transa Code (		5. Number of		6. E	Date Exe piration onth/Day	rcisal Date	ole and	7. Title ar of Securi Underlyir	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ully	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				,	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisable		piration te	Title		ount or ober of res						
Stock Options <sup>(4)</sup>	\$15.78								03/	/23/2013	03	/24/2013	Common Stock, \$.10 par value	108	3,226		108,22	26	D		
Stock Options <sup>(4)</sup>	\$18.48								11,	/11/2010	02	/26/2018	Common Stock, \$.10 par value	16	,589		16,589		D		
Stock Options <sup>(4)</sup>	\$18.48								11/	/26/2017	02	/26/2018	Common Stock, \$.10 par	88,0	000 <sup>(5)</sup>		88,00	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Number of shares may vary due to dividend reinvestment.
- 2. These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's Performance Stock Plan ("PSP"). Based on the satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the PSP, the Reporting Person has voting rights and dividend entitlement with respect to a portion of these shares based on the satisfaction of certain performance-based criteria, but full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of additional conditions.
- 3. These securities were granted pursuant to the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan ("SIP"). Full ownership will not vest until the satisfaction of performance-based conditions established in connection with this grant.
- 4. Granted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's 2000 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "Plan").
- 5. These options vest and become exercisable on 11/26/17, unless accelerated based on satisfaction of conditions established pursuant to the Plan.

07/26/2012 /s/ Linda S. Downs

\*\* 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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