

Brown George Garvin IV  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Brown George Garvin IV

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 HWY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/05/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

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

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |   |
| Class A Common                  | 12/19/2011                           |  | W                              | V 190,906 A \$ 0  | 522,156   | D  |   |
| Class A Common                  | 12/19/2011                           |  | W                              | V 381,811 D \$ 0  | 0   | I  | George Garvin Brown III Trust UW                      |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,642,357   | I  | CBGB LLC <sup>(5)</sup>                               |
| Class A Common                  | 06/21/2011                           |  | G                              | V 1,316 D \$ 0  | 36,551  | I  | Trust u/a FBO Geo. Garvin                             |

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|                   |            |   |   |        |   |      |                          |   |   |
|-------------------|------------|---|---|--------|---|------|--------------------------|---|---|
| Class A<br>Common | 12/06/2011 | G | V | 513    | D | \$ 0 | 36,038                   | I | Brown IV<br>Trust u/a<br>FBO Geo.<br>Garvin<br>Brown IV |
| Class A<br>Common | 12/09/2011 | G | V | 1,271  | D | \$ 0 | 34,767                   | I | Trust u/a<br>FBO Geo.<br>Garvin<br>Brown IV             |
| Class A<br>Common |            |   |   |        |   |      | 353,036                  | I | GGB4<br>2010#1<br>LLC                                   |
| Class B<br>Common |            |   |   |        |   |      | 71,429                   | I | GGB4<br>2010 #2<br>LLC                                  |
| Class A<br>Common | 12/09/2011 | G | V | 1,271  | A | \$ 0 | 1,271                    | I | By Spouse   |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/15/2011 | G | V | 1,134  | D | \$ 0 | 100,777                  | D |   |
| Class B<br>Common | 12/19/2011 | W | V | 47,726 | A | \$ 0 | 148,503                  | D |   |
| Class B<br>Common | 12/19/2011 | W | V | 95,452 | D | \$ 0 | 0                        | I | George<br>Garvin<br>Brown III<br>Trust UW               |
| Class B<br>Common |            |   |   |        |   |      | 360,589                  | I | CBGB,<br>LLC <sup>(5)</sup>                             |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/15/2011 | G | V | 1,134  | A | \$ 0 | 11,121                   | I | Trust u/a<br>FBO Geo.<br>Garvin<br>Brown IV             |
| Class B<br>Common | 06/21/2011 | G | V | 329    | D | \$ 0 | 10,792                   | I | Trust u/a<br>FBO Geo.<br>Garvin<br>Brown IV             |
| Class B<br>Common |            |   |   |        |   |      | 6,626.357 <sup>(1)</sup> | I | 401(k)<br>Plan  |

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) |                |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title          | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 24.7  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2005   | 04/30/2012  | Class B Common | 820                        |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 30.18   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2006   | 04/30/2013  | Class B Common | 1,179                      |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 35.83   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2007   | 04/30/2014  | Class B Common | 1,938                      |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 45.53   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2008   | 04/30/2015  | Class B Common | 670                        |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 55.69   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2009   | 04/30/2016  | Class B Common | 920                        |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 53.8  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2010   | 04/30/2017  | Class B Common | 1,053                      |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 56.58   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2011   | 07/24/2018  | Class B Common | 967                        |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 43.1  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2012   | 04/30/2019  | Class B Common | 2,957                      |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | (2)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (3)  | (3)   | Class B Common | 545                        |
| Restricted Stock Unit                      | (2)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | (4)   | Class B Common | 2,078                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |                          |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                  | Other |
| Brown George Garvin IV<br>850 DIXIE HWY<br>LOUISVILLE, KY 40210 | X             |           | Executive Vice President |       |

## Signatures

Diane M. Barhorst, Atty. in Fact for George Garvin  
Brown IV

01/12/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Number of shares the reporting person has acquired under the Brown-Forman 401(k) plan as of January 10, 2012.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Brown-Forman Class B common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest April 30, 2014.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest April 30, 2015.
- (5) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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