

FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

Form 4

December 17, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CROCKER CHARLES

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC
[BEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O CROCKER CAPITAL, ONE
POST STREET, SUITE 2515**

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2007

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Am Underlying Secur
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A N S
Deferred Director's Fees (FRI)	<u>(1)</u>	12/13/2007	A		6.5166		04/20/2015 ⁽²⁾	01/20/2020 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock, Par value \$.10	6
Deferred Director's Fees (FRI)	<u>(1)</u>	12/14/2007	A		13.5086		04/20/2015 ⁽²⁾	01/20/2020 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock, Par value \$.10	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROCKER CHARLES C/O CROCKER CAPITAL ONE POST STREET, SUITE 2515 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104	X			

Signatures

/s/ Charles
Crocker

12/17/2007

**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) Not Applicable

(2) Exercisable and expiration dates assume the director's separation from service from Franklin Resources, Inc. and its subsidiaries occurs in the January following the director's 75th birthday. See below footnote.

Represents a hypothetical investment account calculation of deferred Franklin Resources, Inc.'s director's fees, under the 2006 Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, based upon the performance of Franklin Resources, Inc.'s stock (including reinvested dividends) payable in cash in substantially equal quarterly installments over five years beginning the April 20 following the director's separation from service from Franklin Resources, Inc. and its subsidiaries and continuing on each July 20, October 20, January 20 and April 20 thereafter, except that if any such date is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, then the quarterly installment shall be paid on the next business day. The reporting person may transfer the hypothetical investment account amount into an alternative investment account not based on the performance of Franklin Resources, Inc. stock effective as of the first day of any calendar quarter.

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