

BROWN FORMAN CORP

Form 8-K

October 18, 2007

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
Form 8-K**

**Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 18, 2007 (October 17, 2007)  
Brown-Forman Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware                                       | 1-123                    | 61-0243150                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

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| 850 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Kentucky  | 40210      |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 585-1100

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 17, 2007, Brown-Forman Corporation issued a press release announcing that it has appointed Matthew E. Hamel to the position of general counsel, effective October 30, 2007. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference.

This information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 (and the related information in Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated October 17, 2007.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Brown-Forman Corporation  
(Registrant)

October 18, 2007  
(Date)

/s/ Nelea A. Absher  
Nelea A. Absher  
Vice President and Interim Corporate  
Secretary

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| 99.1        | Press Release, dated October 17, 2007. |