

FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

Form 4

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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 *
BOLT JENNIFER J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC., ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY

(Street)

SAN MATEO, CA 944031906

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/20/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | 09/20/2007 | | M | | 4,080 | A | \$ 31.93 |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | | | | | 490,319.4994 | D | (1) |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | | | | | 42,493 | I | (2) |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | | | | | 870.166 | I | (3) |
| | | | | | | | As a Trustee for Minor Child |
| | | | | | | | By 401(k) |

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | 1,176 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 | 142,780 | I | By Trust |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 31.93 ⁽⁵⁾ | 09/20/2007 | | M | 4,080 ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁶⁾ | 09/29/2000 09/28/2007 | Common Stock, par value \$.10 | 4,080 ⁽⁵⁾ | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOLT JENNIFER J
C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.
ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY
SAN MATEO, CA 944031906

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Signatures

/s/ BOLT,
JENNIFER J.

09/21/2007

Date

__Signature of Reporting
Person

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) Of the amount of securities beneficially owned, 12,665 shares represent unvested awards of restricted stock shares.
- (2) Shares are held by Ms. Bolt as Trustee for Ms. Bolt's minor children. Ms. Bolt disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) Reporting person holds shares in Franklin Templeton Profit Sharing 401(k) Plan. Information is based on a plan statement as of September 15, 2007.
- (4) Shares are held by a member of Ms. Bolt's immediate family. Ms. Bolt disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (5) Reflects adjustment in connection with the special cash dividend paid by Franklin Resources, Inc. on April 15, 2005.
- (6) This report reflects the exercise of options originally granted on November 17, 1999.

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