AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC Form SC 13G/A February 05, 2002

## **UNITED STATES**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# SCHEDULE 13G UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO. \_3\_\_)\*

### American Software A

(Name of Issuer)

<u>Common Stock Class A</u> (Title of Class of Securities)

### 029683109

(Cusip Number)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

## **SCHEDULE 13G**

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1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS S.S. OR I.R.S. Brown Capital Management, Inc IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS .					
2. CHECK THE APPROPR	RIATE BOX IF A MEM	BER OF A GROUP*	(a)[] (b)[]		
3. SEC USE ONLY					
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			Maryla	and	
REPORTING NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED EACH PERSON WITH	6	SOLE VOTING POWER SHARED VOTING POWER SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER SHARED DISPOSITIVE POW		2,891,500 None 3,160,000 None	
9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				00	
10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES					
11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 16.91%					
12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*  IA C			IA CO		

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Item 1 (a)	Name of Issuer:	American Software A.	
(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices	470 E. Paces Ferry Road, NE	
		Atlanta, GA 30305	
Item 2 (a)	Name of Person Filing:	Brown Capital Management, Inc	
(b)	Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:	1201 N. Calvert Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202	
(c)	Citizenship:	Maryland	

(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock **CUSIP** Number: 029683109 (e)

Item 3: Capacity in Which Person is Filing: [x]Investment Adviser registered

under

Section 203 of the Investment

Advisers Act of 1940

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(c) Number of shares to which such person has:

(b)

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 2,891,500 (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: None Sole power to dispose or to direct the (iii) 3,160,000 disposition of: None (iv)

Shared power to dispose or to direct the

disposition of:

Item 5: Ownership of Five Percent of Less of Not applicable

Class:

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Item 6: Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

All of the shares of Common Stock set forth in Item 4 are owned by various investment advisory clients of Brown Capital Management, Inc., which is deemed to be a beneficial owner of those shares pursuant to Rue 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, due to it discretionary power to make investment decisions over such shares for its clients and its ability to vote such shares. In all cases, persons other than Brown Capital Management, Inc. has the right to receive, or the power to direct the receipt of, dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of the shares. No individual client holds more than five percent of the class.

Item 7: Not applicable

Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company:

Item 8: Identification and Classification of Members of the Group: Not applicable

Item 9: Notice of Dissolution of Group: Not applicable

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Item 10: Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect

### **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Brown Capital Management, Inc.

By: /s/ Eddie C. Brown

Eddie C. Brown

President

Date: January 30, 2002