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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *  Hayes John V.			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	- 2.1554611.411	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/01/2017		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
850 DIXIE HIGHWAY (Street)  LOUISVILLE, KY 40210 (City) (State) (Zip)			Table	(Check  DirectorX_ Officer (give title below SVP, Chief	all applicable)  10%  Other  (specify below)  Marketing Off	Owner ow)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person eneficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amo	ount of Securities cially Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ure of Indirect Beneficial rship	
Class A Com	ımon		2,164		D	Â		
Class A Common			111 <u>(1)</u>		I	ESPP		
Class A Common			4,210		I	Hayes Investments LLC		
Class B Common			7,609		D	Â		
Class B Common			5,894 <u>(2)</u>		I	By 401k		
Class B Common			4 (1)		I	ESPP		
Class B Common			20,314		I	Hayes Investments LLC		
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owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2011	04/30/2018	Class B Common	16,926	\$ 17.755	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2012	04/30/2019	Class B Common	25,998	\$ 13.525	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2013	04/30/2020	Class B Common	21,820	\$ 19.215	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2014	04/30/2021	Class B Common	22,702	\$ 23.2	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2015	04/30/2022	Class B Common	17,122	\$ 29.35	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2016	04/30/2023	Class B Common	7,082	\$ 36.21	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2017	04/30/2024	Class B Common	5,654	\$ 45.985	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2018	04/30/2025	Class B Common	7,216	\$ 51.125	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2019	04/30/2026	Class B Common	9,952	\$ 49.005	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	05/01/2020	04/30/2027	Class B Common	8,395	\$ 50.63	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hayes John V. 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210	Â	Â	SVP, Chief Marketing Officer	Â			
Signatures							

Michael E. Carr, Jr., Attorney in Fact for John V. Hayes

10/11/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 acquired through the issuer's employee stock purchase program as of October 11, 2017.
- (2) Number of shares acquired through the issuer's 401(k) plan as of October 11, 2017.

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