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FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC  
Form 8-K  
March 03, 2004

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): March 2, 2004  
(March 2, 2004)

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-9318  
(Commission File Number)

13-2670991  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California  
(Address of principal executive offices)

94403  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 312-3000

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report): Not Applicable

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Franklin Resources, Inc. has been informed that the Staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") no longer intends to recommend that the SEC authorize a civil action against Gregory Johnson, who is President and Co-Chief Executive Officer of Franklin Resources, Inc. The previous intention of the SEC Staff was announced in the Company's Form 10-Q filing on February 17, 2004. The Company continues discussions with the Staff of the SEC in an effort to resolve the issues raised in their investigation related to Franklin Advisers, Inc.

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SIGNATURES

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.

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: March 2, 2004

/s/ Martin L. Flanagan

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Martin L. Flanagan  
President and Co-Chief Executive Officer