

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 \*  
JOHNSON GREGORY E

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/11/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CEO and President

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/11/2011		G	V 268 A 19,834		I	As A Trustee For Minor Child (2)
Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/11/2011		G	V 268 D 661,560		D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/14/2011		G	V 1,595 D 659,965		D	

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Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/16/2011	G	V	270	A	<u>(1)</u>	20,104	I	As A Trustee For Minor Child <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/16/2011	G	V	270	D	<u>(1)</u>	659,695	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	04/18/2012	G	V	815	D	<u>(1)</u>	658,880	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	06/18/2012	G	V	140	D	<u>(1)</u>	658,740	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	08/17/2012	G	V	253	D	<u>(1)</u>	658,487	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	08/20/2012	G	V	1,675	D	<u>(1)</u>	656,812 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10							1,515,294	I	By 401(k) <u>(4)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$.10							895,000	I	By Limited Partnership
Common Stock, par value \$.10							5,085	I	By Spouse <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$.10							2,700	I	By Trust <u>(6)</u>

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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(Instr. 3,  
4, and 5)

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Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSON GREGORY E C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906	X		CEO and President	

## Signatures

/s/ Gregory E.  
Johnson

09/10/2012

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Not applicable.
- (2) Shares held by Reporting Person as trustee for Reporting Person's minor children. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) Of the amount of securities beneficially owned as of gift date, 101,943 shares represented unvested awards of restricted stock.
- (4) Reporting Person holds shares in the Franklin Templeton 401(k) Retirement Plan. Information is based on a plan statement as of July 13, 2012.
- (5) Shares held by Reporting Person's spouse. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (6) Business trust for the benefit of Reporting Person and Reporting Person's children.

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