#### JOHNSON GREGORY E

Form 4

October 31, 2017

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

OMB Number:

**OMB APPROVAL** 

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Issuer

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Symbol

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(Check all applicable) [BEN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES. 10/30/2017 Chairman and CEO INC., ONE FRANKLIN **PARKWAY** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transaction Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ Stock, par 10/30/2017 S 56.825 D 42.8266 2,047,273 D value (1) \$.10 Common As A Stock, par Trustee For 70,506 I value Minor Child (2) \$.10 Common 5.015.5135 By 401(k) (3) Stock, par

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value \$.10

Common Stock, par value \$.10	2,565,000	I	By Business Limited Partnership (4)
Common Stock, par value \$.10	8,100	I	By Business Trust (5)
Common Stock, par value \$.10	18,014	I	By Spouse (6)
Common Stock, par value \$.10	396,000	I	By Venture Limited Partnership

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	]
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON GREGORY E C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

X Chairman and CEO

## **Signatures**

/s/ Gregory E.

Johnson

\*\*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).
  - The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$42.70 to \$42.88, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff on the
- (1) Securities Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in the footnote.
- (2) Shares held by Reporting Person as trustee for Reporting Person's minor children. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (3) Reporting Person holds shares in the Franklin Templeton 401(k) Retirement Plan. Information is based on a plan statement as of September 30, 2017.
- (4) Business limited partnership under control of Reporting Person.
- (5) Business trust for the benefit of Reporting Person and Reporting Person's children.
- (6) Shares held by Reporting Person's spouse. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (7) Limited partnership under control of Reporting Person, and owned in part by irrevocable trusts for the benefit of Reporting Person's children. Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the children's trusts.

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