

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANDS RICHARD		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC [STZ/STZ.B]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Chairman of Board & CEO	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC., 300 WILLOWBROOK OFFICE PARK		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2004			
(Street) FAIRPORT, NY 14450		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(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			
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2004		P		250	A	\$32.2	250 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Spouse as custodian for daughter under UTMA
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2004		P		3,100	A	\$32.23	3,350 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Spouse as custodian for daughter under UTMA
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2004		P		150	A	\$32.16	150 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Spouse as custodian for son under UTMA
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2004		P		3,200	A	\$32.2	3,350 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Spouse as custodian for son under UTMA
Class A Common Stock								196,178	D	
Class A Common Stock								716,668	I	Remainder Interest ⁽²⁾
Class A Common Stock								384 ⁽³⁾	I	by Partnership ⁽⁴⁾
Class A Common Stock								235,804 ⁽³⁾	I	by Partnership ⁽⁵⁾
Class A Common Stock								7,860 ⁽¹⁾	I	by Spouse

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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		(A)	(D)					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANDS RICHARD C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 300 WILLOWBROOK OFFICE PARK FAIRPORT, NY 14450	X	X	Chairman of Board & CEO	

Signatures

Richard Sands, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, by Robert Sands as Attorney-in-fact		01/13/2004
<small>Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership with respect to securities held in this manner, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

Remainder interest after the life estate of Marilyn Sands. The life estate terminates on the earlier of (i) 20 years from its commencement (11/13/87) or (ii) Mrs. Sands' death.

(2) Marilyn Sands' interest includes the right to receive income from and the power to vote and dispose of the shares subject to the vested beneficial interest of the remaindermen.

Except to the extent that the reporting person has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in securities owned by the applicable partnership or limited liability company, the

(3) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership with respect to securities held in this manner. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

(4) Held by M, L, R & R ("MLR&R"), a general partnership of which the reporting person is a general partner and in which he has a pecuniary interest. The reporting person is a beneficiary and trustee of The Marvin Sands Master Trust, which is also a partner in MLR&R.

(5) Held by CWC Partnership I, a general partnership of which the reporting person is a managing partner and in which he has a pecuniary interest.

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