FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANDS ROBERT			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) X Director X 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC., 300 WILLOWBROOK OFFICE PARK			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/06/2004						X_ Officer (give		dent & C	Other (spec	ify below)			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							_X_ Form filed by C	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City		(State)	(Zip)			Table	e I - Non-	-Derivativ	e Securit	ies Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Benefi	cially Ov	vned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			Execution Date, if		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Sec Owned Following Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	curities Beneficially g Reported		Ownership Indire		ficial ership	
						Cod		Amount	t (D)	Price				(Instr. 4)	
Class A C	Common S	ock	02/06/2004			G	V	2,000	D	\$ 0	263,906			D		
Class A C	Common S	rock									235,804 (1)			I	by Partr	nership
Class A C	Common S	rock									384 (1)			I	by Partr	nership
Class A C	Common S	ock									709,430			I		ainder est (4)
Class A C	Common S	ock									723,906 (1)			I	Inter	ainder est by nership
Class A C	Common S	ock									14,396 (6)			I	by S ₁	pouse
Class A Common Stock										40,464 ⁽⁶⁾			I	By sp as custo for daug (UGI	hter	
Class A Common Stock										36,900 ⁽⁶⁾			Ι	By sp as custo for so (UG)	on	
Reminder: I	Report on a se	eparate line for each	class of securities be	eneficially ov	wned dire	ectly or	Per this	sons wh	e not req	uired	the collection of to respond unle				SEC 147	74 (9-02)
			Table II	- Derivativ			quired, E	Disposed o	of, or Beno	eficiall	ol number. ly Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion Date (Month/Date Price of Derivative Security			Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number of Derivative Securities		ber vative ies ed (A) osed	6. Date E Expiratio	ptions, convertible securitie Date Exercisable and oiration Date onth/Day/Year)			Title and Amount f Underlying ecurities nstr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte	ecurities For Deneficially wned Second Dir		11. Natur of Indirec Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)
				Code V	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Ti	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4	(1	nstr. 4)	

Non-													
Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.26	04/06/2004	A	95,90	0	04/06/2008 ⁽⁷⁾	04/06/2014	Class A Common Stock	95,900	\$ 0	95,900	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SANDS ROBERT C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 300 WILLOWBROOK OFFICE PARK FAIRPORT, NY 14450	X	X	President & COO					

Signatures

Robert Sands	04/08/2004
**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).
- Except to the extent that the reporting person has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in securities owned by the applicable trust, partnership or limited liability company, the reporting person (1) 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.
- (2) 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.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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. 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.
- (5) Held by CWC Partnership II, a general partnership of which the reporting person is a trustee of the managing partner and in which he has a pecuniary interest.
- 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.
- This option becomes exercisable prior to the date specified as follows: (i) 25% will become exercisable after the fair market value of a share of Class A Common Stock has been at least \$38.25 (7) for fifteen (15) consecutive trading days: (ii) an additional 25% will become exercisable after such fair market value has been at least \$43.99 for fifteen (15) consecutive trading days; and (iii) the remaining 50% will become exercisable after such fair market value has been at least \$50.59 for fifteen (15) consecutive trading days.

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