## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Typ	e 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)  X Director X 10% Owner								
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC., 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, SUITE 300				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/08/2008						X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chairman of Board								
(Street) FAIRPORT, NY 14450				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City) (State) (Zip)					Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired,							ed, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	A. Deemed xecution Date, if code (Instr. 8)  A. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			Owners Form: Direct (	hip Indire Benef Owne (Instr.	ficial ership				
Class A C	Common St	ock	04/08/2008			M	v	132,80		\$ 6.4532	2,353,942			D				
Class A C	Common St	ock									15,7	20 (1)			I	by S	pouse	
Class A Common Stock											6,70	0 (11)			I	as custo for daug unde	custodian	
Class A Common Stock										6,70	0 (1)	I		I	by Spouse as custodian for son under UTMA			
Class A Common Stock									471,	,608 (2)			Ι	by Partr	Partnership			
Class A Common Stock										768 <sup>(2)</sup>				I	by Partnership (4)			
Reminder: R	Report on a se	parate line for each	h class of securities  Table I	I - Deriva	tive Seco	ırities Acqı	Pe in a c	ersons v this for currently	m are no y valid O d of, or Bo	t require MB cont	ed to re trol nu	espond u mber.	information			SEC 147	74 (9-02)	
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	(e.g., pt		, warrants, Jumber of			sable and		le and	Amount	8. Price of	9. Numb	per of 1	0.	11. Nature	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			Execution Date, it	Transaction Deriva Code Securi (Instr. 8) Acqui or Dis (D)		vative urities (Morurisposed of Expiration (A)		ation Date th/Day/Year)		of Un Secur	derlyir	ing Derivative Security		Derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio	ve ces Fially I Song I d contion(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	of Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V (A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable I	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	) (	Instr. 4)		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.4532	04/08/2008		М		132,800		(5)	)4/26/20	08 Com	ss A nmon ock	132,800	\$ 0	0		D		

#### **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SANDS RICHARD C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, SUITE 300 FAIRPORT, NY 14450	X	X	Chairman of Board				

#### **Signatures**

H. Elaine Ziakas For: Richard Sands	04/10/2008
**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) 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.
- 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 (2) 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.
- (3) 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.
- (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) 100% of this option has become exercisable.

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