

BROWN & BROWN INC
Form S-8
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Registration No.

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

BROWN & BROWN, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

59-0864469
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

220 SOUTH RIDGEWOOD AVENUE

DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

32114
(Zip Code)

BROWN & BROWN, INC. 2010 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

(Full title of the plan)

ROBERT W. LLOYD, ESQ.

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

BROWN & BROWN, INC.

220 S. Ridgewood Avenue

Daytona Beach, Florida 32114

(Name and address of agent for service)

(386) 239-5752

(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies of all communications to:

CHESTER E. BACHELLER, ESQ.

HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

100 North Tampa Street, Suite 4100

Tampa, Florida 33602

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
 Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of securities to be registered (1) | Amount registered (1) | Proposed maximum offering price per share (2) | Proposed maximum aggregate offering price (2) | Amount of registration fee (2) |
|---|------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.10 per share | 8,664,843 shares | \$32.40 | \$280,740,913.20 | \$32,622.09 |

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement includes an indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock which may be offered and issued to prevent dilution from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions as provided in the Brown & Brown, Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933, based on the average of the high and low prices reported for the registrant's common stock traded on The New York Stock Exchange on November 10, 2014.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this Registration Statement, and information that we file in the future with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. The documents incorporated by reference are:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 (including information specifically incorporated by reference into our Form 10-K from our definitive proxy statement relating to our 2014 annual meeting of shareholders, filed on March 28, 2014);

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for each of the quarters ended March 31, 2014, June 30, 2014 and September 30, 2014;

Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 16, 2014 (other than Item 7.01), February 21, 2014, April 22, 2014 (other than Item 2.02), May 19, 2014, May 27, 2014 (other than Item 7.01) and September 18, 2014;

The description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on November 17, 1997, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description, which description is amended by the description contained in this prospectus; and

All documents filed under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus and before the termination of the offering of the securities described in this prospectus (other than any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K, unless we specifically state in such Current Report that such information is to be considered filed under the Exchange Act, or we incorporate it by reference into a filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Brown & Brown is a Florida corporation. Reference is made to Section 607.0850 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, which permits, and in some cases requires, indemnification of directors, officers, employees, and agents of Brown & Brown under certain circumstances and subject to certain limitations.

Under Article VII of Brown & Brown's Bylaws, Brown & Brown is required to indemnify its officers and directors, and officers and directors of certain other corporations serving as such at the request of Brown & Brown, against all costs and liabilities incurred by such persons by reason of their having been an officer or director of Brown & Brown or such other corporation, provided that such indemnification shall not apply with respect to any matter as to which such officer or director shall be finally adjudged to have been individually guilty of gross negligence or willful malfeasance in the performance of his or her duties as a director or officer, and provided further that the indemnification shall, with respect to any settlement of any suit, proceeding, or claim, include reimbursement of any amounts paid and expenses reasonably incurred in settling any such suit, proceeding, or claim when, in the judgment of the board of directors, such settlement and reimbursement appeared to be in the best interests of Brown & Brown.

Under Section 9 of the Brown & Brown, Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan, Brown & Brown is required to indemnify directors, members of the Compensation Committee of its board of directors, and any officer or employee of Brown & Brown to whom authority to act for the board of directors or its Compensation Committee is delegated for any action, suit or proceeding in connection with the Brown & Brown, Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan or any award or right granted thereunder.

Brown & Brown has purchased insurance with respect to, among other things, liabilities that may arise under the statutory and Bylaw provisions referred to above and the Brown & Brown, Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.

The general effect of the foregoing provisions may be to reduce the circumstances in which an officer or director may be required to bear the economic burden of the foregoing liabilities and expense.

ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

The Exhibits required to be filed as part of this Registration Statement are listed in the attached Exhibit Index.

ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective Registration Statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement.

Provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions (see Item 6) or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on November 12, 2014.

BROWN & BROWN, INC.

By: *
J. Powell Brown
Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on November 12, 2014.

| Signature | Title |
|--|--|
| * J. Powell Brown | President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer), Director |
| /s/ R. Andrew Watts R. Andrew Watts | Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) |
| * J. Hyatt Brown | Chairman, Director |
| * Samuel P. Bell, III | Director |
| * Hugh M. Brown | Director |
| * Bradley Currey, Jr. | Director |
| * Theodore J. Hoepner | Director |
| * James S. Hunt | Director |
| * Toni Jennings | Director |

| Signature | Title |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| * Timothy R.M. Main | Director |
| * H. Palmer Proctor, Jr. | Director |
| * Wendell S. Reilly | Director |
| * Chilton D. Varner | Director |

*By: /S/ LAUREL L. GRAMMIG
Laurel L. Grammig
Attorney-In-Fact

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|---------------------------|--|
| 4.1 | Brown & Brown, Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan. |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Holland & Knight LLP. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Holland & Knight LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1). |
| 23.2 | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP. |
| 24.1 | Powers of Attorney. |