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FORM SC 13G (Statement of Ownership)

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

Helmerich & Payne, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common

(Title of Class of Securities)

423452101 (CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement []. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.)
(See Rule 13d-7.)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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CUSIP No. 423452101					
NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON					
Baron Capital Group, Inc.					
2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*					
(a) [] (b) []					
3 SEC USE ONLY					
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
New York					
NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER					
SHARES 40,000 BENEFICIALLY					
OWNED BY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 5,500,975					
REPORTING					
PERSON 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 40,000					
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 5,954,975					
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON					
5,994,975					
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*					
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)					
5.8%					
12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*					
HC, CO					
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT					

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CUSIP	No. 4234521	01			
1		PORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON			
	BAMCO, Inc				
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [] (b) []				
3	SEC USE ON	LY			
4	CITIZENSHI	P OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION			
	New York				
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING		5 SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
P	ERSON WITH	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0			
		8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 5,715,000			
9	AGGREGATE	AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING	PERSON		
	5,715,000				
10	CHECK BOX	IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES	CERTAIN SHARES*		
11	PERCENT OF	CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)			
	5.5%				
12	TYPE OF RE	PORTING PERSON*			
	IA, CO				
		*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT			

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CUSIP No. 423452101
1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
Baron Capital Management, Inc.
2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [] (b) []
3 SEC USE ONLY
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
New York
NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 40,000 BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 230,975
REPORTING PERSON 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 40,000
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 239,975
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
279,975
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
0.3%
12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
IA, CO
*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT

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CUSIP N	o. 42345210	01			
		PORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON			
	Ronald Bard	on			
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [] (b) []				
3	SEC USE ONLY				
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
	USA				
SH	ARES	5 SOLE VOTING POWER 0			
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		6 SHARED VOTING POWER 5,500,975			
		7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 40,000			
		8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 5,954,975			
9	AGGREGATE A	AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON			
	5,994,975				
10	CHECK BOX	IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*			
11	PERCENT OF	CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)			
	5.8%				
12	TYPE OF REI	PORTING PERSON*			
	HC, IN				
		*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT			

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Item 1.

(a) Name of Issuer:

Helmerich & Payne, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

1437 S. Boulder Ave., Suite 1400 Tulsa, OK 74119

Item 2.

(a) Name of Persons Filing:

Baron Capital Group, Inc. ("BCG")

BAMCO, Inc. ("BAMCO")

Baron Capital Management, Inc. ("BCM")

Ronald Baron

(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

767 Fifth Avenue

New York, NY 10153

(c) Citizenship:

BCG, BAMCO and BCM are New York corporations. Ronald Baron is a citizen of the United States.

(d) Title of Class Securities:

Common

(e) CUSIP Number:

423452101

Item 3. PERSONS FILING:

BCG and Ronald Baron are:

- (g) Parent holding companies, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(ii)(G) BAMCO and BCM are:
- (e) Investment Advisers registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 All persons filing are:
- (j) Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)

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Item 4. OWNERSHIP^

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned as of December 31, 2007:

BCG: 5,994,975 shares
BAMCO: 5,715,000 shares
BCM: 279,975 shares
Ronald Baron: 5,994,975 shares

(b) Percent of Class#:

BCG: 5.8%
BAMCO: 5.5%
BCM: 0.3%
Ronald Baron 5.8%

^BCG and Ronald Baron disclaim beneficial ownership of shares held by their controlled entities (or the investment advisory clients thereof) to the extent such shares are held by persons other than BCG and Ronald Baron. BAMCO and BCM disclaim beneficial ownership of shares held by their investment advisory clients to the extent such shares are held by persons other than BAMCO, BCM and their affiliates.

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- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
- (i) sole power to vote or direct the vote:

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40,000
         BCG:
         BAMCO:
                           40,000
         BCM:
         Ronald Baron:
                           40,000
(ii) shared power to vote or direct the vote:
         BCG:
                        5,500,975
         BAMCO:
                        5,270,000
         BCM:
                          230,975
         Ronald Baron: 5,500,975
(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct
     the disposition of:*
                           40,000
         BCG:
         BAMCO:
                                0
                           40,000
         BCM:
         Ronald Baron: 40,000
(iv) shared power to dispose or direct
     the disposition of:*
                        5,954,975
                      5,715,000
         BAMCO:
         BCM:
                        239,975
         Ronald Baron: 5,954,975
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Item 5. OWNERSHIP OF 5% OR LESS OF A CLASS

Not applicable.

Item 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN 5% ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

The advisory clients of BAMCO and BCM have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Issuer's common stock in their accounts. To the best of the Filing Persons' knowledge, no such person has such interest relating to more than 5% of the outstanding class of securities.

Item 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY

BAMCO and BCM are subsidiaries of BCG. Ronald Baron owns a controlling interest in BCG.

Item 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

See Item 3.

* By virtue of investment advisory agreements with their respective clients, BAMCO and BCM have been given the discretion to dispose of the securities in the advisory accounts. All such discretionary agreements, are however, revocable.

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Item 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 14, 2008

Baron Capital Group, Inc., BAMCO, Inc., and Baron Capital Management, Inc. By:

Ronald Baron, Individually

By:

/s/ Ronald Baron

Ronald Baron

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Joint Filing Agreement

The undersigned each hereby agree that the Schedule 13G dated February 14, 2008, which relates to the common stock of Helmerich & Payne, Inc. may be filed jointly on behalf of each of them for the reasons stated therein, and any amendments thereto shall be filed jointly by the undersigned.

Dated: February 14, 2008						
Baron Capital Group, Inc., BAMCO, Inc., and Baron Capital Management, Inc. By:						
	/s/ Ronald Baron					
	Ronald Baron, Chairman and CEO					
Ronald Baron, Individually By:						
	/s/ Ronald Baron					

Ronald Baron