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September 26, 2007

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 7)

BROOKS AUTOMATION, INC. (BRKS)

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

114340102

(CUSIP Number)

David Nierenberg
The D3 Family Funds
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
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September 25, 2007

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box .

CUSIP No.114340102

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON

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The D3 Family Fund, L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

	7	SOLE VOTING POWER	
			849,215 Common Shares (1.2%)
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8	SHARED VOTING POWER	0
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
			849,215
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
			0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

For the reporting person listed on this page, 849,215; for all reporting persons as a group, 5,056,958 shares (7.2%)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

7.2%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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The DIII Offshore Fund, L.P.

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(a)
(b)

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Bahamas

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

1,131,718 Common Shares (1.6%)

NUMBER OF 8 SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

EACH 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING PERSON 1,131,718

WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

For the reporting person listed on this page, 1,131,718; for all reporting persons as a group, 5,056,958 shares (7.2%)

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7.2%

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

2,997,525 Common Shares (4.3%)

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

EACH
REPORTING
PERSON

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,997,525

WITH

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

For the reporting person listed on this page, 2,997,525; for all reporting persons as a group, 5,056,958 shares (7.2%)

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The D3 Family Canadian Fund, L.P.

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(b)

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

78,500 Common Shares (0.1%)

NUMBER OF 8 SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

EACH 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING PERSON 78,500

WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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For the reporting person listed on this page, 78,500; for all reporting persons as a group, 5,056,958 shares (7.2%)

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7.2%

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Nierenberg Investment Management Company, Inc.

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Washington

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

5,056,958 Shares (7.2%)

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

5,056,958 Shares

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

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persons as a group, 5,056,958 shares (7.2%)

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7.2%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

CO

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Nierenberg Investment Management Offshore, Inc.

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(a)
(b)

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Bahamas

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
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REPORTING
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8 SHARED VOTING POWER
1,131,718 Common Shares (1.6%)

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1,131,718 Common Shares

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This Amendment No. 7 to Schedule 13D (this "Amendment") amends the below-indicated items from the Schedule 13D previously filed by or on behalf of the undersigned parties (the "Reporting Person"), as previously amended (the "Schedule 13D"), by supplementing such Items with the information below:

Item 2. Identity and Background.

The Reporting Persons now include The D3 Family Canadian Fund, L.P., a Washington State limited partnership ("D3 Family Canadian Fund") of which Nierenberg Investment Management Company, Inc., a Reporting Person, is the general partner.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

The total amount of the funds used to make the purchases reported in Item 5 was \$1,491,795 and the source of funds for purchases of Shares by each of the D3 Funds (including D3 Family Canadian Fund), is the working capital of the applicable Fund.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

We are calling upon Brooks to commit to an immediate 10 million share repurchase. Our request is made in a letter to CEO-elect Robert Lepofsky and Board Chair Joseph R. Martin. This letter is attached to this filing.

The statements by the Reporting Persons in the above-referenced letter regarding their investment in BRKS represent solely their own analyses and judgments, based on publicly-available information and their own internal evaluation thereof. Those statements are not intended, and should not be relied on, as investment advice to any other investor or prospective investor. To the extent those statements reflect assessments of possible future developments, those assessments are inherently subject to the uncertainties associated with all assessments of future events; actual developments may materially differ as a result of circumstances affecting BRKS and/or extrinsic factors such as developments in the company's industry and the economic environment. The

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Reporting Persons reserve the right to change their internal evaluation of this investment in the future, as well as to increase or decrease their investment depending on their evaluation, and to discuss the company and their investment in it with the directors and executive officers of the company and third parties, without further amending the Schedule 13D except as required by applicable rules.

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a, b) The Reporting Persons, in the aggregate, beneficially own 5,056,958 Shares, constituting approximately 7.2% of the outstanding Shares.

(c) During the past sixty (60) days, the following purchases of Shares were made by D3 Family Funds in open market transactions:

Fund	Trade Date	Shares Bought	Price
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D3 Family Canadian Fund LP	8/6/2007	5,000	16.00
D3 Family Canadian Fund LP	8/10/2007	73,500	13.51
D3 Family Bulldog Fund LP	8/10/2007	31,000	13.51

Item 7. Material to be filed as Exhibits

Exhibit 1 to this Amendment is the letter referred to in response to Item 4 of this Amendment.

Exhibit 2 to this Amendment is the Joint Filing Agreement among the Reporting Persons dated August 3, 2007 pursuant to which all of the Reporting Persons have authorized the filing of this Amendment as a group.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in the Statement is true, complete and correct.

D3 Family Fund, L.P., D3 Family Bulldog Fund, L.P., and D3 Family Canadian Fund, L.P.

By: Nierenberg Investment Management Company, Inc.

Its: General Partner

September 26, 2007

By: /s/ David Nierenberg

David Nierenberg, President

DIII Offshore Fund, L.P.

By: Nierenberg Investment Management Offshore, Inc.

Its: General Partner

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By: /s/ David Nierenberg

David Nierenberg, President

Nierenberg Investment Management
Company, Inc.

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By: /s/ David Nierenberg

David Nierenberg, President

Nierenberg Investment Management
Offshore, Inc.

September 26, 2007

By: /s/ David Nierenberg

David Nierenberg, President