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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Rayonier, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class and Securities)

754907103

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

O. Mason Hawkins
Chairman of the Board and C.E.O.
and
Andrew R. McCarroll
Vice President & General Counsel

Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.
6410 Poplar Avenue; Suite 900
Memphis, TN 38119
(901) 761-2474

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to
Receive Notices and Communications)

March 4, 2003

(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 which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this Schedule because of Sections 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f), or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box: [X]

CUSIP No. 754907103

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(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. I.D. No. 62-0951781

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a)

(b) ☒ X

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) SOURCE OF FUNDS

OO: Funds of investment advisory clients

(5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) ☐ []

(6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Tennessee

	: (7) SOLE VOTING POWER
	: (Discretionary Accounts)
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	: 1,017,900 shares
WITH	: (8) SHARED OR NO VOTING POWER
	: 2,900,000 shares (Shared)
	350,400 shares (None)
	: (9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	: (Discretionary Accounts)
	: 1,368,300 shares
	: (10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	: 2,900,000 shares

(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

4,268,300 shares

(12) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11 EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES -X- See Item 5

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

15.4%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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(1)	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS Longleaf Partners Fund I.D. No. 62-147721
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(2)	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a) (b) X
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(3)	SEC USE ONLY
—	
(4)	SOURCE OF FUNDS OO: Funds of investment company shareholders
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(5)	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) []
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(6)	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Massachusetts business trust
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NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	: (7) SOLE VOTING POWER : : None
—	
WITH	: (8) SHARED VOTING POWER : : 2,900,000 shares (Shared)
—	
	: (9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER : : None
—	
	: (10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER : : 2,900,000 shares
—	
(11)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 2,900,000 shares
—	
(12)	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 11 EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
—	
(13)	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11 10.5%
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(14)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IV
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(1) NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
O. Mason Hawkins I.D. No. 257-72-3256

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

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) SOURCE OF FUNDS
OO: None

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

(6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Citizen of United States

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON : (7) SOLE VOTING POWER
: (Discretionary Accounts)
: None

WITH : (8) SHARED VOTING POWER
: None

: (9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
: None

: (10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
: None

(11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
None (See Item 2)

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

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CERTAIN SHARES

(13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 11
0.0%

(14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
IN

Item 1. Security and Issuer

The class of equity security to which this statement on Schedule 13D relates is the common stock (the "Securities") of Rayonier, Inc., a North Carolina corporation (the "Issuer"). The Issuer has its principal executive offices located at 50 North Laura Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.

Item 2. Identity and Background

Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c). This statement is being filed by Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. ("Southeastern"), an investment advisor registered with the Securities & Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. The address of its principal office is 6410 Poplar Avenue, Suite 900, Memphis, Tennessee 38119. Southeastern serves as an investment advisor to various individual clients, institutions (including qualified retirement plans), endowment funds and to Longleaf Partners Fund, a series of Longleaf Partners Funds Trust, a registered investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust and having three series or portfolios. This Fund, which is a joint filer of this Schedule 13D, may be reached c/o Southeastern Asset Management, Inc., 6410 Poplar Avenue, Suite 900, Memphis, Tennessee 38119.

The Securities of the Issuer reported in Item 5 herein were acquired on behalf of the investment advisory clients of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc., including Longleaf Partners Fund, under sole or shared discretionary authority granted Southeastern. None of the Securities are owned by or on behalf of Southeastern or by any of its directors or officers, or any Trustees or officers of Longleaf.

This statement is also being filed by Mr. O. Mason Hawkins, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Southeastern, in the event he could be deemed to be an indirect beneficial owner of the Securities reported by Southeastern through the exercise of voting control and/or dispositive power over the Securities as the result of his official positions or ownership of voting securities of Southeastern. Neither Southeastern nor Mr. Hawkins owns any Securities for its or his own account and each disclaims beneficial interest in any of the Securities reported herein.

(d) During the last five years, neither Southeastern, Longleaf Partners Fund, nor Mr. Hawkins has been convicted in any criminal proceeding.

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(e) During the last five years, neither Southeastern, Longleaf Partners Fund, nor Mr. Hawkins has been a party to any civil or administrative proceeding involving any alleged violations of any securities laws.

(f) Southeastern is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Tennessee; Longleaf Partners Funds Trust, of which Longleaf Partners Fund is a series, is a Massachusetts business trust. Mr. Hawkins is a citizen of the United States. The names, business addresses, and principal occupations of each director and executive officer of Southeastern, and each Trustee and executive officer of Longleaf Partners Fund, are set forth in Schedule I.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

The respective investment advisory clients of Southeastern used approximately \$163,086,281 in the aggregate to purchase the Securities reported in this filing. All assets used to purchase Securities were assets of these respective clients and none were assets of Southeastern. In addition, none of the proceeds used to purchase the Securities were provided through borrowings of any nature.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The Securities reported in this filing have been purchased and held for investment purposes on behalf of client accounts over which Southeastern has either sole or shared discretionary investment or voting power. The Securities are reported by Southeastern and by Mr. O. Mason Hawkins, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer in the event that either should be deemed to be a member of a group under Section 13(d)(3) or the beneficial owner of these Securities under the provisions of subparagraph (b) of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Beneficial ownership on the part of Southeastern and Mr. Hawkins as members of a group or as beneficial owners is expressly disclaimed, as permitted by Rule 13d-4. All purchases of Securities were made for investment purposes only, in the ordinary course of business of Southeastern as a registered investment advisor. Southeastern may purchase additional Securities on behalf of clients in the future, or may sell all or a part of the current holdings of the Securities.

Southeastern is engaged in the business of investment management of its clients' assets and pursues an investment philosophy of identifying undervalued situations and acquiring positions in undervalued companies on behalf of its clients. In pursuing this investment philosophy, Southeastern analyzes the operations, capital structure and markets of companies in which its clients invest and continuously monitors the business operations of such companies through analysis of financial statements and other public documents, through discussions with knowledgeable industry observers, and with management of such companies, often at management's invitation.

Southeastern qualifies as an institution which may elect to file securities ownership reports required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on Schedule 13G and, as a routine matter,

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Southeastern utilizes Schedule 13G for its reporting of the ownership positions held by its investment advisory clients. As the result of investment analysis or the occurrence of events, Southeastern may desire to participate in discussions with the particular portfolio company's management or with third parties about significant matters in which Southeastern may suggest possible courses of action to assist in building corporate intrinsic value per share or to cause the Company's true economic value to be recognized. In such situations, Southeastern may elect to convert a filing on Schedule 13G to a filing on Schedule 13D in order to be more active in corporate governance and management matters, and to have the ability to enter into discussions with third parties concerning proposed corporate transactions of a significant nature.

In this situation, Southeastern intends to have conversations with the Issuer's management, other shareholders, and/or additional third parties regarding the possibility of an action or transaction of the type described in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of the Schedule 13D form. To obtain the necessary flexibility to discuss any such possible action or transaction with any such third parties, other shareholders or with the Issuer's management, Southeastern is accordingly converting its ownership filing on Schedule 13G to a filing on Schedule 13D, as a means of fulfilling its fiduciary duties to its clients. Southeastern will thus be able to discuss any such proposals with the respective third parties, shareholders and with management of the Issuer in order to cause the Issuer's true economic value to be realized. As the result of this filing on Schedule 13D, and depending on the circumstances, Southeastern and its clients could support one or more of the actions or transactions described in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of the Schedule 13D form.

Item 5. Interest In Securities Of The Issuer

(a) The aggregate number and percentage of Securities to which this Schedule 13D relates is 4,268,300 shares of the common stock of the Issuer, constituting approximately 15.4% of the 27,717,242 shares outstanding.

	Common Shares Held	% of outstanding Common Shares
Voting Authority		
Sole:	1,017,900	3.7%
Shared:	2,900,000*	10.5%
None:	350,400	1.2%
Total	4,268,300	15.4%

*Consists of shares owned by Longleaf Partners Fund, a series of Longleaf Partners Funds Trust, an open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Does not include 186,300 shares held by one non-discretionary account over which the filing parties have neither voting nor dispositive authority. Beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed with respect to these shares.

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Dispositive Authority

Sole:	1,368,300	4.9%
Shared:	2,900,000*	10.5%
Total	4,268,300	15.4%

*Consists of shares owned by Longleaf Partners Fund, a series of Longleaf Partners Funds Trust, an open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Does not include 186,300 shares held by one non-discretionary account over which the filing parties have neither voting nor dispositive authority. Beneficial ownership is expressly disclaimed with respect to these shares.

(b) Southeastern generally has the sole power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of the Securities held for discretionary accounts of its investment clients, and may be granted the sole power to vote or direct the vote of such Securities; such powers may be retained by or shared with the respective clients for shared or non-discretionary accounts, for which Southeastern generally makes recommendations with respect thereto. Shares held by any Series of Longleaf Partners Funds Trust are reported in the "shared" category.

(c) There were no purchase or sale transactions in the Securities during the past sixty days.

(d) The investment advisory clients of Southeastern have the sole right to receive and, subject to notice, to withdraw the proceeds from the sale of the Securities, and the sole power to direct the receipt of dividends from any of the Securities held for their respective accounts. Such clients may also terminate the investment advisory agreements without penalty upon appropriate notice. Southeastern does not have an economic interest in any of the Securities reported herein.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

The powers of disposition with respect to Securities owned by discretionary private accounts of Southeastern are established in written investment advisory agreements between clients and Southeastern, which are entered into in the normal and usual course of the business of Southeastern as a registered investment advisor and which are generally applicable to all securities purchased for the benefit of each such discretionary private account. There are no special or different agreements relating to the Securities of the Issuer.

The written investment advisory agreements with clients do not contain provisions relating to borrowing of funds to finance the acquisition of the Securities, acquisition of control, transfer of securities, joint ventures, or any of the other transactions listed in the instructions to Item 7 of Schedule 13D other than voting of proxies. In connection with voting, Southeastern may be allowed or directed to vote the proxies received by accounts classified as "discretionary" or "shared"

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accounts; such authority is generally retained by the clients for accounts classified as "non-discretionary".

Item 7. Material to be Filed as an Exhibit

Schedule I. Information with Respect to Directors and Officers of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. and Longleaf Partners Fund.

SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: March 4, 2003

SOUTHEASTERN ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.

By /s/ Andrew R. McCarroll

Andrew R. McCarroll
Vice President & General Counsel

LONGLEAF PARTNERS FUND

By: SOUTHEASTERN ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.

By /s/ Andrew R. McCarroll

Andrew R. McCarroll
Vice President & General Counsel

O. MASON HAWKINS
(Individually)

/s/ O. Mason Hawkins

Joint Filing Agreement

In accordance with Rule 13d-1(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the persons or entities named below agree to the joint filing on behalf of each of them of this Schedule 13G with respect to the Securities of the Issuer and further agree that this joint filing agreement be included as an exhibit to this Schedule 13G.

In evidence thereof, the undersigned hereby execute this Agreement as of the 4th day of March, 2003.

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Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.

By /s/ Andrew R. McCarroll

Andrew R. McCarroll

Vice President and General Counsel

Longleaf Partners Fund

By: Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.

By /s/ Andrew R. McCarroll

Andrew R. McCarroll

Vice President and General Counsel

O. Mason Hawkins, Individually

/s/ O. Mason Hawkins

SCHEDULE I

Information with Respect to Executive Officers and Directors

The following information is disclosed for each of the directors and executive officers of Southeastern: name; business address; and present principal occupation or employment and the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is conducted. Unless otherwise specified, the principal employer of each such individual is Southeastern Asset Management, Inc., having its principal executive offices located at 6410 Poplar Ave., Suite 900, Memphis, Tennessee 38119. Each individual identified below is a citizen of the United States.

To the knowledge of management of Southeastern, during the last five years, no such person has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), and no such person was a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which he was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities law or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

SOUTHEASTERN ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.

Directors

O. Mason Hawkins: Director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.; Chairman of the Board, Co-Portfolio Manager of Longleaf Partners Funds.

G. Staley Cates: Director and President of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.; Trustee, Co-Portfolio Manager Longleaf Partners Funds.

Frank N. Stanley, III: Director and Vice President of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.

Other Officers

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James H. Barton	Vice President
John B. Buford	Vice President
C. T. Fitzpatrick	Vice President
Lee B. Harper	Vice President
Randy D. Holt	Vice President and Secretary
Richard Hussey	Vice President
Andrew R. McCarroll	Vice President and General Counsel
E. Andrew McDermott	Vice President
Joseph L. Ott	Vice President and Treasurer
Deborah L. Sullivan	Vice President-Trading
James E. Thompson, Jr.	Vice President
Michael J. Wittke	Vice President and Assistant General Counsel

LONGLEAF PARTNERS FUND

The following information is disclosed for each of the directors and executive officers of Longleaf Partners Fund: name; address; and present principal occupation or employment and the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is conducted. Each individual identified below is a citizen of the United States. The address of each individual for purposes of correspondence is c/o Southeastern Asset Management, Inc., 6410 Poplar Avenue, Suite 900, Memphis, Tennessee 38119.

To the knowledge of management of Longleaf Partners Fund, during the last five years, no such person has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), and no such person was a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which he was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities law or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Trustees

O. Mason Hawkins: Director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.; Chairman of the Board, Co-Portfolio Manager of Longleaf Partners Funds.

G. Staley Cates: Director and President of Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.; Trustee, Co-Portfolio Manager Longleaf Partners Funds.

Chadwick H. Carpenter, Jr.: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; private investor and consultant.

Margaret H. Child: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; Chief Marketing and Business Development Officer for a Boston law firm.

Daniel W. Connell, Jr.: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; Senior Vice President-Marketing, Jacksonville Jaguars, Ltd.

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Steven N. Melnyk: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; private investor and consultant.

C. Barham Ray: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; Chairman of the Board and Secretary, SSM Corporation.

Perry C. Steger: Trustee of Longleaf Partners Funds; Director of Products Strategy, National Instruments, Inc.