#### ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

Form 4

December 21, 2006

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAWRENCE DAVID			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 15 SKYLINE	(First)  DRIVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2006	Director 10% Owner Start Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
HAWTHORN	NE, NY 1053	2		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 1)	
Restricted	12/20/2006(1)		S	1,000	D		41,954	D	
Restricted	12/20/2006(1)		S	941	D	\$ 15.7	41,013	D	
Restricted	12/20/2006(1)		S	2,000	D	\$ 15.85	39,013	D	
Restricted	12/20/2006(1)		S	500	D	\$ 15.83	38,513	D	
Restricted	12/20/2006(1)		S	1,500	D	\$ 15.82	37,013	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAWRENCE DAVID 15 SKYLINE DRIVE HAWTHORNE, NY 10532

Chief Financial Officer

## **Signatures**

/s/ David Lawrence 12/21/2006

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

# **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) Sale pursuant to 10b5-1 plan

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