Treska Edward Joseph Form 4 August 02, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Treska Edward Joseph

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP [ACTG]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/31/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

Sr. V.P., G.C., Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of		
(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactiomr Disposed of (D)				Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
	any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial		
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership		
						Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)		
				(4)		Reported	(I)			
						Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)			
		G 1 17			ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
		Code V	Amount	(D)		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				
07/31/2012		c (1)	1 701	D	\$	40.700	D			
07/31/2012		3 <u><-</u>	1,/91	ע	30.0497	40,709	D			
09/01/2012		c (1)	1.050	D	\$	29.750	D			
00/01/2012		3 <u>~</u> /	1,939	ט	27.5908	30,730	ט			
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of	Derivative]	
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securities	(Instr. 5)]	
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		Security	Acquired								I	
		-				(A) or						1
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						4, and 5)						
										A		
										Amount		
							Date	Expiration		or		
							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
					G 1 W	(A) (B)				of		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Treska Edward Joseph 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

Sr. V.P., G.C., Secretary

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Signatures

Edward J. 08/02/2012 Treska

**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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on March 14, 2012.

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