ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HAYNES CLAYTON J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

[ACTG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2015

Director 10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) **CFO**

520 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 12TH FLOOR

(First)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Issuer

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6.

7. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Ownership

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(Zip)

(Middle)

3.

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

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) 1. Title of 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 8) or Indirect Following Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Amount Price Common $S^{(1)}$ 05/20/2015 D 14,000 120,573 D 10.3935 Stock

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othor			

HAYNES CLAYTON J 520 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 12TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

CFO

Signatures

Clayton J. 05/21/2015 Haynes

**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 two Rule 10b5(1) Trading Plans adopted by the Reporting Person. The first was adopted on January 10, 2015 and the second on April 5, 2015.

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