Anderson William S. Form 4 January 06, 2009

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(City)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Anderson William S.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP [ACTG]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2009

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

**500 NEWPORT CENTER** DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

Issuer

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(State)

01/02/2009

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

(1)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Price (D) Amount \$0

10,286

23,503

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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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
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Anderson William S. 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X						

## **Signatures**

William S.
Anderson

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **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) Grant of Restricted Stock Units

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