ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(City)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARRIS ROBERT L II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

(Check all applicable)

[ACTG]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

_X__ Director 10% Owner

Executive Chairman

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

23.8061

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 8) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common $S^{(1)}$ 12/06/2012 D D 4,167 271,598

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security		(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/	(Month/Day/Year)		ng	(Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HARRIS ROBERT L II						
500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR	X		Executive Chairman			

Signatures

Robert L. Harris 12/10/2012

**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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on March 8, 2012.

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