ACACIA RESEARCH CORP Form 8-K November 16, 2007

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

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## FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 15, 2007

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### ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-26068 (Commission File Number) 95-4405754 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

## 500 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, California 92660

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

## (949) 480-8300

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed since Last Report)

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## Section 7 - Regulation FD

## Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 15, 2007, Acacia Research Corporation issued a press release announcing the verdict of a patent infringement trial brought by its subsidiary, Computer Acceleration Corporation, against Microsoft Corporation. A copy of that release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated November 15, 2007 of the Registrant.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Date: November 15, 2007 By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer