#### GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP [ACTG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

08/23/2017

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**520 NEWPORT CENTER** DR., 12TH 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

Issuer

below)

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/23/2017		P	16,294	A	\$ 3.1226 (1)	502,995	D	
Common Stock	08/24/2017		P	800	A	\$ 3.3	503,795	D	
Common Stock	08/23/2017		P	5,000	A	\$ 3.1226 (1)	20,000	I	George and Reva Graziadio Foundation

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Common Stock	305,500	I	Graziadio Family Trust dtd 11/13/75 (3)
Common Stock	15,000	I	The George & Reva Graziadio Charitable Lead Annuity Trust (4)
Common Stock	15,000	I	Marianna R. Graziadio (minor children) (5)
Common Stock	15,000	I	George L. Graziadio IV (minor children) (6)
Common Stock	20,000	I	The Gina-Carra Partnership (7)
Common Stock	2,500	I	Owned by Spouse

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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	/Year)	Underlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	) Derivativ	Derivative		Securities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	s		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired				
	·				(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3,				
					4, and 5)				
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						Exercisable	Date	or	
								Number	
								of	

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Shares

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRAZIADIO G LOUIS III 520 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 12TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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### Signatures

G. Louis Graziadio, III

\*\*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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.05 to \$3.20, inclusive. Mr. Graziadio undertakes to provide to Acacia Research Corporation ("Issuer"), any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- Shares are owned by the George and Reva Graziadio Foundation ("Foundation"), a charitable foundation established by Mr. Graziadio's parents, as to which Mr. Graziadio has no pecuniary interest. Mr. Graziadio is one of three directors of the Foundation and does not have the right to control disposition of these shares. Mr. Graziadio disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Foundation.
- These shares are owned by the Graziadio Family Trust u/d/t 11/13/75 ("GFT"), an irrevocable trust established by Mr. Graziadio for the benefit of his children. Mr. Graziadio is neither a trustee nor a beneficiary of GFT and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by GFT.
  - These shares are owned by the George & Reva Graziadio Charitable Lead Annuity Trust (the "Annuity Trust"), as to which Mr. Graziadio
- (4) is trustee and Mr. Graziadio's minor children are contingent beneficiaries. Mr. Graziadio disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Annuity Trust.
- (5) These shares are owned by Mr. Graziadio's minor child, Marianna R. Graziadio.
- (6) These shares are owned by Mr. Graziadio's minor child, George L. Graziadio, IV.
- These shares are owned by Gina-Carra Partnership ("Gina-Carra"), a limited partnership of which Mr. Graziadio is the trustee of each of
- (7) the general partners, which are trusts for the benefit of Mr. Graziadio's children. Mr. Graziadio disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Gina-Carra.

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