

£ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

£ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

£ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

£ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Cell And Network Selection LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, entered into a settlement and license agreement with Dell Inc. This agreement resolved patent litigation that was pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Case No. 6:13-cv-00563.

SIGNATURE

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: January 2, 2014 By: /s/ Matthew Vella
Name: Matthew Vella
Title: President and Chief
Executive Officer