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

### 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): June 18, 2010

#### ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-26068	95-4405754		
(State or other jurisdiction of (incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)		
500	Newport Center Drive			
Newport Beach, California			92660	
(Address of principal executive offices)			(Zip Code)	
Registrant's telephone number	, including area code: (949)	480-8300		
Not applicable (Former name or former addre	ss, if changed since last report.	)		
	ow if the Form 8-K filing is in following provisions (see General	•	satisfy the filing obligation of ):	
[ ] Written commu	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)			
[ ] Soliciting mater	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)			
[ ] Pre-commencement comm	unications pursuant to Rule 14	d-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))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Online News Link LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG), has entered into settlement agreements with Forbes Media LLC, Forbes.com Inc., Dow Jones & Company, Inc. and TheStreet.com, Inc. The agreements resolve patent litigation that was pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.

#### **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: June 18, 2010 By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer