ACACIA RESEARCH CORP Form SC 13G/A February 06, 2015

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

#### SCHEDULE 13G/A

#### **Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

(Amendment No. 1)\*

Acacia Research Corporation (Name of Issuer)

**Common** (Title of Class of Securities)

003881307 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2014 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- x Rule 13d-1(b)
- o Rule 13d-1(c)
- o Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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NAME OF REF 1 DePrince, Race	PORTING PERSONS & Zollo, Inc.				
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SEC USE ONLY	Y				
4	OR PLACE OF ORGA	NIZATION			
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5 6 7 8	SOLE VOTING POWER 2,888,871 SHARED VOTING POWER 0 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 3,741,551 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	ER		
AGGREGATE AMOUN	T BENEFICIALLY O	WNED BY EACH REPORTING F	PERSON		
3,741,551 10					

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

o 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

7.47%12TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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Item 1. (a) Name of Issuer		
Acacia Research Corporation		
	(b) Address of Issuer's Pr	rincipal Executive Offices
500 Newport Center Drive, 7th F	loor	
Newport Beach, CA 92660		
Item 2.	(a) Na	me of Person Filing
DePrince, Race & Zollo, Inc.		
	(b) Address of Principal Business	Office, or, if none, Residence
250 Park Ave South, Suite 250		
Winter Park, FL 32789		
	(c	) Citizenship
Please refer to Item 4 on each co	ver sheet for each filing person	
	(d) Title of	Class of Securities
Common		
	(e	) CUSIP No.:

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# Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) "Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780);
- (b) " Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c) " Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) <sup>"</sup> Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) x An investment adviser in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  $\ddot{}$  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) A non-U.S. institution in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);

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## Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,741,551
- (b) Percent of class: 7.47%
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 2,888,871
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 3,741,551
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

## Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not Applicable

## Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

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#### Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not Applicable

### Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not Applicable

## Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect. CUSIP No. 003881307

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## **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 6, 2015

DePrince, Race & Zollo, Inc.

By: Adelbert R. Sanchez Name: Adelbert R. Sanchez Title: Chief Compliance Officer