ACACIA RESEARCH CORP Form 8-K November 24, 2014

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): November 19, 2014

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware000-2606895-4405754(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 Newport Center Drive

92660

Newport Beach, California (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (949) 480-8300

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Credit Card Fraud Control Corporation, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, entered into a settlement and license agreement with First Data Corporation. This agreement resolves patent litigation, Civil Action No. 3:14-cv-2619, pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.

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: November 21, 2014 By:/s/ Matthew Vella Name: Matthew Vella Title: Chief Executive Officer