

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Financial Systems Innovation LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, has entered into a settlement agreement with CBOCS, Inc. The agreement resolves patent litigation, Civil Action No. 4:05-cv-0156-RLV, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

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: December 16, 2009

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