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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): April 19, 2010

### ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware   | 000-26068                   | 95-4405754                       |                              |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| (State or other jurisdiction of (Co  | ommission File Number) (    | IRS Employer Identification      |                              |
| incorporation)   |                             | No.)                             |                              |
| 500 Newport Center Drive<br>Newport Beach, California                        |                             | 92660                            |                              |
| (Address of principal  |                             | (Zip Code)                       |                              |
|  |                             |                                  |                              |
| Registrant's telephone number, in  | cluding area code: (949     | 9) 480-8300                      |                              |
| Not applicable   |                             |                                  |                              |
| (Form  | ner name or former address  | s, if changed since last report. | )                            |
| Check the appropriate box below<br>the registrant under any of the following | •                           | •                                | • •                          |
| [ ] Written communi  | cations pursuant to Rule 42 | 25 under the Securities Act (1   | 7 CFR 230.425)               |
| [ ] Soliciting materia   | l pursuant to Rule 14a-12 u | under the Exchange Act (17 C     | CFR 240.14a-12)              |
| [ ] Pre-commencement commu   | inications pursuant to Rule | 14d-2(b) under the Exchang       | e Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  |
| [ ] Pre-commencement comm  | unications pursuant to Rule | e 13e-4(c) under the Exchang     | ge Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Acacia Research Corporation's subsidiary, Financial Systems Innovation LLC, has entered into an agreement with Restoration Hardware, Inc. resolving Civil Action No. 4:07-cv-00122, that was pending 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.

Company NameACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Date: April 19, 2010 By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer