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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): July 27, 2009

## ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS En   | 05754<br>mployer<br>ation No.) |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 500 Newport Center Drive<br>Newport Beach, California  | 92660                          |
| *  | ip Code)                       |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (949) 480-8300  Not applicable  (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)   |                                |
| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): |                                |
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 27, 2009, Service Reminder LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, entered into a settlement agreement with Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. The settlement agreement resolves patent litigation, Case No. 08 Civ. 8669 (PGG) that was pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

### **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: July 28, 2009 By: /s/ Paul R. Ryan

Name: Paul R. Ryan

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer