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): January 17, 2012

ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-26068	95-4405754
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number)		(IRS Employer
incorporation)		Identification No.)
500 Newport Center Drive		92660
Newport 1	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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oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Document Generation Corporation, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, and Origin Healthcare Solutions, Inc. resolved their patent litigation that had been pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, bearing Docket No. 6:10-cv-00482-LED. In addition, Document Generation Corporation and Origin Healthcare Solutions, Inc. resolved their patent litigation that had previously been dismissed without prejudice in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, bearing Docket No. 3:07-cv-00841-GPM.

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: January 19, 2012

By:

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