#### ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

Form 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COHEN RON |   |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer  (Check all applicable)   |  |  |  |
|---|---|----------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) 15 SKYLINE                                   | (First)  DRIVE  | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008                | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO   |  |  |  |
|   | (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |          |  | <ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br/>Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul> |  |  |  |
| HAWTHORNE, NY 10532                                 |   |          |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |  |  |

#### (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 09/08/2008(1) S 949 D 168,415 D Stock 29.69 Common 09/08/2008(1) S 800 D 167,615 D 29.68 Stock Common S D D 09/08/2008(1) 1,100 166,515 29.67 Stock Common S 09/08/2008(1) 1,554 164,961 D Stock Common 09/08/2008(1) S 1,100 D 163,861 D Stock

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| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 1,046 | D | \$<br>29.64 | 162,815 | D |
|-----------------|---------------|---|-------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$<br>29.64 | 162,715 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 924   | D | \$<br>29.63 | 161,791 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 800   | D | \$<br>29.62 | 160,991 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 300   | D | \$<br>29.61 | 160,691 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 300   | D | \$ 29.6     | 160,391 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 307   | D | \$<br>29.59 | 160,084 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 200   | D | \$<br>29.58 | 159,884 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$<br>29.57 | 159,784 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 101   | D | \$<br>29.56 | 159,683 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$<br>29.53 | 159,583 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 199   | D | \$<br>29.52 | 159,384 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 200   | D | \$<br>29.51 | 159,184 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$ 29.5     | 159,084 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 300   | D | \$<br>29.49 | 158,784 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 200   | D | \$<br>29.48 | 158,584 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 192   | D | \$<br>29.46 | 158,392 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 145   | D | \$<br>29.44 | 158,247 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$<br>29.42 | 158,147 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D | \$ 29.4     | 158,047 | D |
|                 | 09/08/2008(1) | S | 100   | D |             | 157,947 | D |

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Common \$ 29.39 Stock Common 09/08/2008(1) S 100 D 157,847 D Stock

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | of<br>B) Deriv | vative<br>vative<br>vatives<br>varities<br>uired<br>or<br>osed<br>O)<br>r. 3, | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|---|--|--------------------|---|--|---|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code                                  | V (A)          |   | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

**COHEN RON** 

15 SKYLINE DRIVE President and CEO

HAWTHORNE, NY 10532

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Ron Cohen 09/10/2008 \*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

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(1) Sale pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan.

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#### **Remarks:**

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