

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

Form 4

March 03, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Blight Andrew

(Last) (First) (Middle)

420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD

(Street)

ARDSLEY, NY 10502

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC
[ACOR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Chief Scientific Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| Common Stock | 03/01/2017 | | A | (A) or (D) 2,036 (1) | \$ 0 78,594 | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. D S (I |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 27.475 | 03/01/2017 | | A | 5,090 | <u>(2)</u> 03/01/2027 | Common Stock | 5,090 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Blight Andrew 420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD ARDSLEY, NY 10502 | | | Chief Scientific Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Andrew
Blight
03/03/2017
Date

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Restricted shares issued under the Issuer's 2015 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan. The shares will vest 25% every year for four years with vest dates of December 1, 2017, December 1, 2018, December 1, 2019 and December 1, 2020.
- (2) The shares subject to this option vest in equal quarterly installments over four years beginning on January 1, 2017 with the first quarterly installment vesting on April 1, 2017.

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