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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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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lawson Douglas A.

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC

[ACLS] (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2018

C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC., 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE (Street)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BEVERLY, MA 01915

(City)	(State)	(State) (Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	05/16/2018		Code V	Amount 1,406		Price \$ 22.4	(Instr. 3 and 4) 34,917 (3)	D		
Common Stock	05/16/2018		A	7,589	A	\$ 0 (4)	42,506 (5)	D		
Common Stock	05/16/2018		A	7,589	A	\$ 0 (6)	50,095 (7)	D		
Common Stock	05/17/2018		F	645	D (8)	\$ 22.4 (9)	49,450 (10)	D		

Common Held by I 3,125 Stock spouse

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)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	.	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	nt of ying ies	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lawson Douglas A. C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE BEVERLY, MA 01915

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Signatures

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney in fact for Douglas A. Lawson

05/17/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- These shares were withheld by the Company to cover the tax withholding obligations of the executive on the vesting of restricted stock **(1)** units on May 16, 2018.
- **(2)** Represents the closing price on May 16, 2018.

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- Of the shares held as of May 16, 2018, 18,295 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted to the executive under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.
- These shares are issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the Company's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. Assuming continuation of employment, 25% of these restricted stock units will vest on each of May 16, 2019, May 16, 2020, May 16, 2021 and May 16, 2022.
- (5) Of the shares held as of May 16, 2018, 25,884 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted to the executive under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.
- These shares are issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the Company's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. Assuming continuation of employment, up to 50% of these restricted stock units will vest on each of February 28, 2019 and February 28, 2020, based on performance vesting criteria. Unvested restricted stock units will forfeit on February 28, 2019.
- Of the shares held as of May 16, 2018, 33,473 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted to the executive under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.
- (8) These shares were withheld by the Company to cover the tax withholding obligations of the executive on the vesting of restricted stock units on May 17, 2018.
- (9) Represents the closing price on May 17, 2018.
- (10) Of the shares held as of May 17, 2018, 31,286 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted to the executive under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.

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