ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

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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 Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 420 SAW N	(First) (N	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2017			X Director X Officer (g below)		0% Owner ther (specify		
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any		3.	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	ies Ac sposed	quired of	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
Common Stock	03/01/2017			A	11,960 (1)	A	\$0	491,648	D	
Common Stock								42,940	I	Beneficial Ownership in Trust (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.475	03/01/2017		A	29,900	(3)	03/01/2027	Common Stock	29,900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COHEN RON 420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD ARDSLEY, NY 10502	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Ron Cohen 03/03/2017

**Signature of Date
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) These shares are held in a grantor retained annuity trust, which was established by the reporting person and of which he is the sole trustee.
- (3) 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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