

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WISE R HALSEY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**135 PONTE VEDRA BLVD.**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**07/21/2016**

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

**PONTE VEDRA BEACH, FL 32082**  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	07/21/2016		A	2,303	A <u>2</u> 2,303	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 (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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.34	07/21/2016		A	3,936	<sup>(3)</sup> 07/20/2026	Common Stock	3,936

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WISE R HALSEY 135 PONTE VEDRA BLVD. PONTE VEDRA BEACH, FL 32082		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Frederic G. Hammond, attorney-in-fact for R. Halsey  
Wise

07/25/2016

\_\_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).
- Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock. One-third of the
- (1) Restricted Stock Units will vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, and the remainder will vest in eight equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter until fully vested.
  - (2) Restricted Stock Units do not have an exercise price.
  - (3) One-third of the option granted at the exercise price of \$42.34 will vest on the first anniversary of the grant date and the remainder will vest in eight equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter until fully vested.

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