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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Ad Person <u>*</u> LAWREN	-	-	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			02/09/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC., 15 SKYLINE DRIVE (Street) HAWTHORNE, NY 10532				Directo X Officer (give title belo	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deriva	tive Securiti	ies Ber	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Securi (Instr. 4)	ty		2. Amount Beneficially (Instr. 4)	of Securities 7 Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nati Owner (Instr.	•	
Common Sto	ck		64,230		D	Â		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	02/01/2009	Common Stock	1,282	\$ 2.6	D	Â
Non-Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/31/2011	Common Stock	2,564	\$ 2.6	D	Â
Non-Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	09/05/2013	Common Stock	23,762	\$ 2.6	D	Â
Non-Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	01/01/2015	Common Stock	70,109	\$ 8.14	D	Â
Non-Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/01/2011	Common Stock	1,282	\$ 2.6	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r g the state	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LAWRENCE DAVID C/O ACORDA THERAPEUTICS, INC. 15 SKYLINE DRIVE HAWTHORNE, NY 10532	Â	Â	Chief Financial Officer	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ Michelle Meyers, by power of attorney)9/2006				

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) All of the shares subject to this option have vested.
- (2) The shares subject to this option vest in equal quarterly installments beginning on 1/1/2005.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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