#### ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

Form 4

October 18, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PINNEY MARK R E			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
15 SKYLINE DRIVE (Street)  HAWTHORNE, NY 10532			10/16/2006			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
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				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Desirative Committee Ac	animal Disposed of an Boneficially Owns		

(Cı	ty)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative (	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3	y	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Comm Stock	non	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	2,882	D	\$ 15.87	171,613	D	
Comm Stock	non	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	400	D	\$ 15.88	171,213	D	
Comm Stock	non	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	3,000	D	\$ 15.9	168,213	D	
Comm Stock	non	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	600	D	\$ 15.91	167,613	D	
Comm	non	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	1,600	D	\$ 15.92	166,013	D	

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Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	3,253	D	\$ 15.95	162,760	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	5,987	D	\$ 16.01	156,773	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	300	D	\$ 16.02	156,473	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	2,700	D	\$ 16.03	153,773	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	4,213	D	\$ 16.05	149,560	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	100	D	\$ 16.06	149,460	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	2,100	D	\$ 16.07	147,360	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	1,300	D	\$ 16.08	146,060	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	1,664	D	\$ 16.16	144,396	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	1,800	D	\$ 16.17	142,596	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	14,680	D	\$ 16.2	127,916	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 16.3	117,916	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	13,861	D	\$ 16.35	104,055	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	4,600	D	\$ 16.36	99,455	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 16.37	89,455	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	100	D	\$ 16.38	89,355	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	1,281	D	\$ 16.4	88,074	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	13,000	D	\$ 16.55	75,074	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	200	D	\$ 16.56	74,874	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	700	D	\$ 16.57	74,174	D
	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	600	D		73,574	D

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Common Stock						\$ 16.58		
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	12,400	D	\$ 16.6	61,174	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	900	D	\$ 16.61	60,274	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	500	D	\$ 16.62	59,774	D
Common Stock	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	S	500	D	\$ 16.63	59,274	D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date				6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	
Derivative Security	Conversion or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or	` ,	( I cai )	(Instr. 3 and	7)
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	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, and				
					5)				
						Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date		Shares
Employee								Common	
stock options	\$ 2.6	10/16/2006	10/19/2006	M	144,810	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Stock	144,810

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PINNEY MARK R E 15 SKYLINE DRIVE HAWTHORNE, NY 10532	X						

## **Signatures**

Mark Pinney by Jane Wasman,
Attorney-in-Fact 10/18/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* 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) 18,183 of the options vested quarterly starting 1/1/2001; 1,542 of the options vested quarterly starting 12/31/2001; 125,081 of the options included an immediate vest with the remaining options vesting quarterly
- (2) 18,183 of the options had an expiration date of 2/1/2011; 1,542 of the options had an expiration date of 12/31/2011; 125,081 of the options had an expiration date of 9/5/2013

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