

Lawson Douglas A.  
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 \*  
Lawson Douglas A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC  
[ACLS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/14/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
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C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC., 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BEVERLY, MA 01915

(City) (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. 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					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock	03/14/2018		M		1,953	A	\$ 12.04	39,802 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2018		S		3,478	D	\$ 26.52 <sup>(2)</sup>	36,324 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								3,125	I	Held by Spouse

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.04	03/14/2018		M	1,953	01/15/2018 07/15/2022	Common Stock	1,953

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lawson Douglas A. C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE BEVERLY, MA 01915			EVP, Corporate Mktg & Strategy	

## Signatures

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney in fact for Douglas A. Lawson  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 03/14/2018

\*\*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).
- (1) Of the shares held as of March 14, 2018, 23,069 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.  
 The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$26.47 to \$26.55, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Axcelis Technologies, Inc., any security holder of Axcelis Technologies, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2)
- (3)

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31,250 options were granted on July 15, 2015 and were vested as to 62.5% of the options as of January 15, 2018. Of the remaining 11,719 options held by the executive after the sales reported on this form, 1953/4 options will vest on the 15th of each of October, January, April and July until fully vested on July 15, 2019, if the officer remains in the service of the Company on such vesting dates.

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