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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addi Hammond H	ess of Reporting Pe	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/</u> [ AZPN ]		ationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2017		below) below) Senior VP & General Counsel		
(Street) BEDFORD MA 01730		01730	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More thar Person	orting Person	
(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)	Transaction Code (Instr.					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)		(
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	09/01/2017		Α		8,063	Α	(2)	28,408	D	

### 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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	<b>\$</b> 63.25	09/01/2017		A		9,599		(3)	08/31/2027	Common Stock	9,599	\$63.25	9,599	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock. The Restricted Stock Units vest in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter beginning with the quarter ending September 30, 2017.

2. Restricted stock units do not have an exercise price.

3. The option granted at the exercise price of \$63.25 vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter, beginning with the quarter ending September 30, 2017.

<u>/s/ F. G. Hammond</u>	<u>0</u>
** Signature of Reporting Person	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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