FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Hammond F G  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE  (Street)						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [ AZPN ]      J. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2016  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Direct X Office below Sensional VX Form	etor 10% Own er (give title Other (sp. w) below)  ior VP & General Counsel or Joint/Group Filing (Check App			wner specify  cl pplicable on
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,			Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. and 5)			urities Acquired sed Of (D) (Instr.			Securi Benefi Owned	cially I	Fori (D) (	m: Direct or rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 09/01/2						.016			Α		9,89	9,899 A		(2)	4	47,908		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)	ate Executi		4. Transaction Code (Instr. B)		n of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owne Form: Direct or Ind (I) (In: 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$45.46	09/01/2016			A		10,999		(3)	08.	/31/2026	Commo Stock	<sup>n</sup> 10	,999	\$45.46	10,999		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 each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2016.
- 2. Restricted Stock Units do not have an exercise price.
- 3. The option granted at the exercise price of \$45.46 vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter, beginning on September 30, 2016.

<u>/s/ F. G. Hammond</u> <u>09/06/2016</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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