FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [ AZPN ]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
KINGSLEY DOUGLAS A												Directo	r		10% Ow	ner		
(Last)	(F	irst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/14/2003						Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	pecify		
75 STATE STREET, 29TH FLOOR						33,2 1, 2333												
73 STATE STREET, 23TH FEOOR					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. In	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
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		Tal	ble I - Non	-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	neficially	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran			2. Trans Date	saction	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired (A)			5. Amou				7. Nature of Indirect		
(Month/D					/Day/Ye	ay/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 5)				Beneficia Owned F			or Indirect nstr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
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								Code V	Amount	(A) (I	Price	(Instr. 3 a						
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
									s, options,									
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4	4.		5. Numb	oer	6. Date Exerci	sable and	7. Title an	d Amount	8. Price of	9. Numbe	r of	10.	11. Nature	
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Dat Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Transaction Code (Instr.				Expiration Date of Securities (Month/Day/Year) Underlying			Derivative Security	derivative Securities		Ownership Form:	of Indirect Beneficial				
(Instr. 3)	Price of	(months buy, real)	(Month/Day/		3)	Securities Derivative Se			Security	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially Owned		Direct (D) or Indirect	Ownership (Instr. 4)				
	Derivative Security					Acquired (A) or					(Instr. 3 ar	1a 4)		Following		(i) (instr. 4)	(111501.4)	
						Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			str.					Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		,		
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				0	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	of Shares						
Stock																		
Option (Right to	\$2.84	08/14/2003			A		24,000		12/31/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/14/2013	Common	24.000	\$2.84	24,000		D		
Buy Common	Φ2.04	06/14/2003			A		24,000		12/31/2003(1)	00/14/2013	Stock	24,000	Φ2.04	24,000	۲	ט		
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These options will vest in 12 equal quarterly installments beginning on December 31, 2003.

/s/ Janet L. Hennessy, Attorney-08/18/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

- $^{\star}$  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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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Janet L. Hennessy, his true attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, Rule 144 filings, Forms 3, 4, and 5; related to Aspen Technologies, Inc. in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Rule 144 filings, Forms 3, 4, and 5 and the timely filing of such forms with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that any document filed pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his/her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or his/her substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with any section of either the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 11th day of August 2003.

/s/ Douglas A. Kingsley

Douglas A. Kingsley