NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

February 06, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DOWNING JOHN** Issuer Symbol NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC (Check all applicable) [NTCT] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS. 02/03/2017 See Remarks INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WESTFORD, MA 01886

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/03/2017		F <u>(1)</u>	19	D	\$ 32.6 (2)	114,215	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2017		S(3)	1,000	D	\$ 32.99 (4)	113,215	D	

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

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Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Paneficially On

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	(ear)	Underl	lying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)]
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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DOWNING JOHN C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. 310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886

See Remarks

Signatures

/s/ John Downing 02/06/2017

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- The shares of Common Stock were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the delivery of shares (1) pursuant to Restricted Stock Units which vested on 12/11/2016 and which shares of Common Stock were delivered to the reporting person on 2/3/2017.
- (2) Represents the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on February 2, 2017.
- (3) The shares of Common Stock were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan.

The shares sold on this date were sold in multiple transactions. This price is the weighted average sales price per share; the actual sales price per share ranged from \$32.65 to \$33.25. The reporting person undertakes to provide to NetScout Systems, Inc., any security holder of NetScout Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (4) to this Form 4.

Remarks:

EVP, Worldwide Sales Operations

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