#### NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

September 07, 2016

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **DOWNING JOHN** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

(Check all applicable)

See Remarks

[NTCT]

(Middle)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director X\_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS. INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/04/2016

WESTFORD, MA 01886

(City)

(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned ure of

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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/04/2016		Code V  M(1)	Amount (D) Price $7,500$ $\frac{A}{(1)}$ $(2)$	113,397	D	
Common Stock	09/04/2016		F(3)	\$ 30.11 (4)	110,963	D	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	09/04/2016		M	7	7,500	09/04/2016	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	7,500	

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## **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 09/07/2016

\*\*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).
- (1) The shares of Common Stock were acquired upon the vesting of certain restricted stock units previously granted to the reporting person.
- (2) Price is N/A.
- (3) The shares of Common Stock were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
- (4) Represents the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on September 2, 2016.
- (5) Date is N/A.

#### **Remarks:**

EVP, Worldwide Sales Operations

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