#### NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

December 13, 2016

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

EVP, Worldwide Sales Operation

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC [NTCT]

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2016

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Price Amount (D)

Common 12/11/2016 Stock

 $M^{(1)}$ 50 Α (2) (1)

114,234

D

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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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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)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te Underlying		Securities	8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr. :
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	12/11/2016		M	50	12/11/2016	(3)	Common Stock	50	<u>(2)</u>

## **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

EVP, Worldwide Sales Operation

## **Signatures**

/s/ John Downing 12/12/2016

\*\*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) Date is N/A.

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