

Pietri Antonio J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Pietri Antonio J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 20 CROSBY DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/04/2018

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President & CEO

BEDFORD, MA 01730

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code V	Amount	(D)		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/04/2018		A	39,008	A	\$ 0 ₍₂₎	258,645	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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 115.36	09/04/2018		A	48,158	<u>(3)</u>	09/03/2028			Common Stock	48,158

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pietri Antonio J C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ F.G. Hammond, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Pietri 09/06/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) 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 the quarter, beginning on September 30, 2018.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units were received as a grant for no consideration.
- (3) The option granted at the exercise price of \$115.36 vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of the quarter, beginning with the quarter ending September 30, 2018.

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