

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
Form 4/A  
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# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY III  
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ADVENT INTERNATIONAL  
CORPORATION, 75 STATE  
STREET, 29TH FLOOR

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02109

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/13/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
07/17/2006

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Member of group > 10%

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/13/2006                           |  | X                              | A   | 840,841   | \$ 3.33  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/13/2006                           |  | X                              | D   | 229,133   | \$ 3.33  | D   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 625,708 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   |   |

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. 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 Number Shares |
| Warrants to purchase common stock          | \$ 3.33  | 07/13/2006                           |  | X                              | 840,841   | 08/14/2003 08/14/2010                                    | Common Stock  | 840,841 |                      |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY III LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP  
C/O ADVENT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION  
75 STATE STREET, 29TH FLOOR  
BOSTON, MA 02109

Member of group >  
10%

## Signatures

/s/ Jarlyth H. Gibson, Assistant Compliance Officer

07/20/2006

\*\*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) Updated to include shares of Common Stock previously owned as a result of the conversion of Preferred Stock to Common Stock.

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