# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# ACI WORLDWIDE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

3520 Kraft Rd, Suite 300 Naples, FL (Address of principal executive offices) 47-0772104 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

> 34105 (Zip Code)

2016 EQUITY AND PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN (Full title of the plan)

Dennis P. Byrnes, Esq. Executive Vice President ACI Worldwide, Inc. 6060 Coventry Drive Elkhorn, Nebraska 68022 (402) 390-7600 (Name, address, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Jeffery R. Schaffart, Esq. Koley Jessen P.C., L.L.O. 1125 South 103rd Street, Suite 800 Omaha, Nebraska 68124 (402) 390-9500

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer 🛛

Non-accelerated filer  $\Box$  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company  $\Box$ 

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities To Be Registered	Amount To Be Registered (1)(2)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share (3)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount Of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$.005 per share	8,000,000	\$19.00	\$152,000,000	\$15,306.40

(1) This Registration Statement covers 8,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$.005 per share, of ACI Worldwide, Inc. ("Registrant") available for awards under the Registrant's 2016 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan, as amended (the "2016 Plan"). The 2016 Plan also provides that shares represented by options granted under the ACI Worldwide, Inc. 2005 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan which are forfeited, expire or are cancelled without delivery of shares of common stock or which result in the forfeiture or relinquishment of shares of common stock back to the Registrant may be issued for awards granted under the 2016 Plan.

(2) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act, this Registration Statement also covers an indeterminate number of additional shares that may be offered or issued pursuant to the above-named plan by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or any other similar transaction without the

receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of the Registrant's outstanding shares of common stock.

(3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) promulgated under the Securities Act. The fee is calculated on the basis of the average of the high and low sale prices of the Registrant's common stock on August 3, 2016, of \$19.16 and \$18.83 respectively, as reported on The NASDAQ Global Select Stock Market.

#### PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

#### Item 1. Plan Information\*

#### Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information\*

\* Information required by Part I to be contained in the Section 10(a) prospectus is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with Instruction G of Form S-8 and Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act, and the introductory note to Part I of Form S-8.

#### PART II INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents, which have been filed by Registrant pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or as otherwise indicated, are hereby incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and shall be deemed to be a part hereof:

- The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 filed with the SEC on February 26, 2016;
- All other reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), since December 31, 2015; and
- The description of the Registrant's Class A Common Stock (reclassified as "Common Stock") set forth under the caption "Description of Capital Stock Common Stock" in the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-56309) filed with the SEC on June 8, 1998.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than any portion of such filings that are furnished under applicable SEC rules rather than filed) prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and shall be deemed a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

In April 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued ASU 2015-03, *Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs* ("ASU 2015-03"), which states that entities should present the debt issuance costs in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the related debt liability rather than as an asset. The Registrant has adopted ASU 2015-03 as of January 1, 2016 and applied retrospectively. The adoption of this standard resulted in the reclassification in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 of \$5.6 million and \$6.2 million from other current assets to current portion of long-term debt and \$8.8 million and \$14.3 million from other noncurrent assets to long-term debt, respectively.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel

Not applicable.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") permits indemnification by a corporation of certain officers, directors, employees and agents. Consistent therewith, Article X of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant ("ACI") provides that ACI shall, to the fullest extent permitted or required by the DGCL, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits ACI to provide broader indemnification rights than such law permitted ACI to provide prior to such amendment), indemnify a director or officer of ACI or a person who is or was serving at the request of ACI as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan, who was or is made (or threatened to be made) a party to or is otherwise involved in a civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action suit or proceeding (an "indemnified person"). Article X also provides that expenses incurred by an indemnified person will be paid in advance by ACI; provided, however, that, if the DCGL requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnified person in his or her capacity as a director or officer will be made only if ACI receives an undertaking by or on behalf of the indemnified person to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal that such indemnified person is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses. The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation also authorizes ACI to maintain officer and director liability insurance, and such a policy is currently in effect.

ACI has entered into Indemnification Agreements with each of its executive officers and certain other employees. Under the Indemnification Agreements, ACI agrees to indemnify the employee to the fullest extent permitted by law if the employee was, is or becomes a party to or witness or other participant in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, proceeding or alternative dispute resolution mechanism, or any hearing, inquiry or investigation by reason of (or arising in part out of) any event or occurrence related to the fact that the employee is or was a director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary of ACI, or any subsidiary of ACI, or is or was serving at the request of ACI as a director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or by reason of any action or inaction on the part of the employee while serving in such capacity. ACI also agrees, to the extent ACI maintains liability insurance applicable to directors, officers, employees, agents or fiduciaries, the employee will be covered by such policies as to provide the employee the same rights and benefits as are accorded to the most favorably similarly situated insured.

The above discussion of the DGCL and the Registrant's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation is not intended to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by such statute and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits

Reference is made to the Exhibit Index.

#### Item 9. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) the Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Elkhorn, State of Nebraska, on August 5, 2016.

### ACI WORLDWIDE, INC.

By: /s/ Dennis P. Byrnes

Name: Dennis P. Byrnes Title: Executive Vice President

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned officers and directors of ACI Worldwide, Inc., hereby severally and individually constitute and appoint Dennis P. Byrnes and Scott W. Behrens and each of them, the true and lawful attorneys and agents of each of us to execute in the name, place and stead of each of us (individually and in any capacity stated below) any and all amendments to this Registration on Form S-8, and all instruments necessary or advisable in connection therewith, and to file the same with the Commission, each of said attorneys and agents to have power to act with or without the other and to have full power and authority to do and perform in the name and on behalf of each of the undersigned every act whatsoever necessary or advisable to be done in the premises as fully and to all intents and purposes as any of the undersigned might or could do in person, and we hereby ratify and confirm our signatures as they may be signed by our said attorneys and agents and each of them to any and all such amendments and other instruments.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Philip G. Heasley Philip G. Heasley	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director ( <i>Principal Executive Officer</i> )	August 5, 2016
/s/ Scott W. Behrens Scott W. Behrens	Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	August 5, 2016
/s/ David A. Poe David A. Poe	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Director	August 5, 2016
/s/ Janet O. Estep Janet O. Estep	Director	August 5, 2016
/s/ James C. Hale James C. Hale	Director	August 5, 2016
/s/ James C. McGroddy James C. McGroddy	Director	August 5, 2016
/s/ Charles E. Peters, Jr. Charles E. Peters, Jr.	Director	August 5, 2016
/s/ Adalio T. Sanchez Adalio T. Sanchez	Director	August 5, 2016

Signature		Title	Date
/s/ John M. Shay, Jr. John M. Shay, Jr.	Director		August 5, 2016
/s/ Jan H. Suwinski Jan H. Suwinski	Director		August 5, 2016
/s/ Thomas W. Warsop III Thomas W. Warsop III	Director		August 5, 2016

### EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 24, 2014)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Registrant (Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.02 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed December 18, 2008)
4.1	2016 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 20, 2016)
5.1*	Opinion of Koley Jessen, P.C., L.L.O. (as to the validity of the securities being registered)
23.1*	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
23.2*	Consent of Koley Jessen, P.C., L.L.O. (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24*	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of the Registration Statement)

\* filed herewith

August 5, 2016

ACI Worldwide, Inc. 3520 Kraft Rd, Suite 300 Naples, FL 34105

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8 Filed by ACI Worldwide, Inc.

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel for ACI Worldwide, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Company*"), in connection with the registration of 8,000,000 shares (the "*Shares*") of the Company's Common Stock, par value \$0.005 per share, issuable pursuant to the ACI Worldwide, Inc. 2016 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan (the "*Plan*"). In connection with the opinion expressed herein, we have examined such documents, records and matters of law as we have deemed relevant or necessary for purposes of this opinion. Based on the foregoing, and subject to the further limitations, qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that the Shares that may be issued or delivered and sold pursuant to the Plan and the authorized forms of stock option, restricted share award, performance share award or other applicable award agreements thereunder will be, when issued or delivered and sold in accordance with the Plan and such agreements, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable, provided that the consideration for such shares is at least equal to the stated par value thereof.

The opinion expressed herein is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as currently in effect, and we express no opinion as to the effect of the laws of any other jurisdiction. In addition, we have assumed that the resolutions authorizing the Company to issue or deliver and sell the Shares pursuant to the Plan and the applicable award agreements will be in full force and effect at all times at which the Shares are issued or delivered or sold by the Company, and the Company will take no action inconsistent with such resolutions.

In rendering the opinion above, we have assumed that each award under the Plan will be approved by the Board of Directors of the Company or an authorized committee of the Board of Directors.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed by the Company to effect registration of the Shares to be issued or delivered and sold pursuant to the Plan under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "*Act*"). In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are included in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission promulgated thereunder.

Sincerely,

/s/ Koley Jessen P.C., L.L.O.

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our reports relating to the consolidated financial statements of ACI Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting dated February 26, 2016, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2015.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Omaha, Nebraska August 5, 2016