

Form 144 Filer Information

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

Form 144

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

144: Issuer Information

Name of Issuer	NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC
SEC File Number	000-26251
Address of Issuer	310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD MASSACHUSETTS 01886
Phone	978-614-4000
Name of Person for Whose Account the Securities are To Be Sold	DOWNING JOHN

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

Relationship to Issuer	1. Officer
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144: Securities Information

Record	Title of the Class of Securities To Be Sold	Name and Address of the Broker	Number of Shares or Other Units To Be Sold	Aggregate Market Value	Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding	Approximate Date of Sale	Name the Securities Exchange
#1	Common Stock	Merrill Lynch 225 Liberty Street Floor 37 New York NEW YORK 10281	3,000	\$90,000.00	72,220,350	02/18/2026	NASDAQ

144: Securities To Be Sold

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

Record	Title of the Class	Date you Acquired	Nature of Acquisition Transaction	Name of Person from Whom Acquired	Is this a Gift ?	Date Donor Acquired	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment	Nature of Payment *
#1	Common Stock	09/04/2017	Vesting of restricted stock unit award	NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC	☐	—	3,000	09/04/2017	Granted as part of issuer equity compensation plan

* If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

144: Securities Sold During The Past 3 Months

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

Record	Name and Address of Seller	Title of Securities Sold	Date of Sale	Amount of Securities Sold	Gross Proceeds
#1	John Downing 310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD MASSACHUSETTS 01886	Common Stock	02/18/2026	3,000	\$87,540.00

144: Remarks and Signature

Remarks	
Date of Notice	02/20/2026
Date of Plan Adoption or Giving of Instruction, If Relying on Rule 10b5-1	1. 02/20/2025

ATTENTION:

The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed. If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to satisfy Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, by signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted or the instruction given, that person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date.

Signature	John Downing
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