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

**FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
ACV Auctions Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

47-2415221
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

640 Ellicott Street, #321
Buffalo, New York 14203
(800) 553-4070

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

ACV Auctions Inc. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan
ACV Auctions Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated
(Full titles of the plans)

George Chamoun
Chief Executive Officer
ACV Auctions Inc.
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(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:

William Zerella
Chief Financial Officer
ACV Auctions Inc.
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated filer
Smaller reporting company
Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

**REGISTRATION OF ADDITIONAL SHARES
PURSUANT TO GENERAL INSTRUCTION E**

Pursuant to General Instruction E of Form S-8, ACV Auctions Inc. (the “**Registrant**”) is filing this Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”) to register (i) 8,658,965 additional shares of its common stock under the ACV Auctions Inc. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (the “**2021 Plan**”), pursuant to the provisions of the 2021 Plan providing for an automatic increase in the number of shares common stock reserved and available for issuance under the 2021 Plan on January 1, 2026 and (ii) 1,731,793 additional shares of its common stock under the ACV Auctions Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan as amended and restated (the “**ESPP**”), pursuant to the provisions of the ESPP providing for an automatic increase in the number of shares of common stock reserved and available for issuance under the ESPP on January 1, 2026. In accordance with the instructional note to Part I of Form S-8 as promulgated by the Commission, the information specified by Part I of Form S-8 has been omitted from this Registration Statement.

PART II

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents filed by the Registrant with the Commission are incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement:

- (a) The contents of the Registrant’s Registration Statement on Form S-8 ([File No 333-285063](#)), filed with the Commission on February 19, 2025, filed with the Commission on February 21, 2024 ([File No 333-277231](#)), on March 1, 2023 ([File No 333-270179](#)), on February 23, 2022 ([File No 333-262933](#)), and April 16, 2021 ([File No 333-255309](#)).
 - (b) The Registrant’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025, filed with the Commission on February 23, 2026.
 - (c) The description of the Registrant’s common stock which is contained in Exhibit 4.2 to the Registrant’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025, filed with the Commission on February 23, 2026 including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.
 - (d) All other reports and documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (other than Current Reports furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and exhibits furnished on such form that relate to such items) on or after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part of this Registration Statement from the date of the filing of such reports and documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document that also 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.
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ITEM 8. EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description	Incorporated by Reference			Filing Date
		Schedule Form	File Number	Exhibit	
4.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as currently in effect.	10-Q	001-40256	3.1	August 11, 2025
4.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant, as currently in effect.	8-K	001-40256	3.1	July 29, 2024
5.1*	Opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP.				
23.1*	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.				
23.2*	Consent of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).				
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature page of this Form S-8)				
99.1	ACV Auctions Inc. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan, and forms of agreements thereunder.	S-1/A	333-253617	10.3	March 15, 2021
99.2	ACV Auctions Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated	10-Q	001-40256	10.2	August 11, 2025
107*	Filing fee table.				

* Filed herewith

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, 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 Buffalo, State of New York, on this 23rd day of February, 2026.

ACV AUCTIONS INC.

By: /s/ George Chamoun

Name: George Chamoun

Title: Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and George Chamoun and William Zerella, each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with the full power of substitution, for him or her and in their name, place or stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Registration Statement (including post-effective amendments), and to sign any registration statement for the same offering covered by this Registration Statement that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) promulgated under the Securities Act, and all post-effective amendments thereto, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or his, her or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

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 dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ George Chamoun</u> George Chamoun	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ William Zerella</u> William Zerella	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Andrew Peer</u> Andrew Peer	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Kirsten Castillo</u> Kirsten Castillo	Director	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Robert P. Goodman</u> Robert P. Goodman	Director	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Brian Hirsch</u> Brian Hirsch	Director	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ René F. Jones</u> René F. Jones	Director	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Eileen A. Kamerick</u> Eileen A. Kamerick	Director	February 23, 2026
<u>/s/ Brian Radecki</u> Brian Radecki	Director	February 23, 2026

Calculation of Filing Fee Tables
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ACV Auctions Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Table 1: Newly Registered Securities

	Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered (1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 2021 Equity Incentive Plan	Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h)	8,658,965	\$6.59	\$57,062,579.35	\$138.10 per \$1,000,000	\$7,880.34
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	Rule 457(c) and Rule 457(h)	1,731,793	\$6.59	\$11,412,515.87	\$138.10 per \$1,000,000	\$1,576.07
	Total Offering Amounts					\$68,475,095.22		\$9,456.41
	Total Fee Offsets							\$—
	Net Fee Due							\$9,456.41

- (1) This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (this “Registration Statement”) covers (i) 8,658,965 shares of common stock and (ii) 1,731,793 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value per share (“Common Stock”), of ACV Auctions Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Registrant”), available for issuance pursuant respectively to ACV Auctions Inc., 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (the “2021 EIP”) and Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the “ESPP”)(collectively, the “Plans”), each pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of the Registrant’s Common Stock that become issuable under the plans set forth herein by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization, or other similar transaction effected that results in an increase to the number of outstanding shares of the Registrant’s Common Stock.

The Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share is estimated in accordance with Rule 457(c) and (h) solely for purpose of calculating the registration fee on the basis of \$6.59, the average of the high and low prices of the Registrant’s Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) on February 17, 2026, which date is within five business days prior to filing this Registration Statement. The Amount Registered under the 2021 EIP and ESPP represent an automatic annual increase equal to 5.0% and 1.0%, respectively, of the total number of shares of the Registrant’s Common Stock outstanding on December 31 of the preceding year, which annual increase is provided by the Registrant’s Plans. The Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share, Maximum Aggregate Offering Price and Amount of Registration Fee is rounded up to the nearest penny. The Registrant does not have fee offsets..

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EXHIBIT 5.1 and 23.2

OPINION OF DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL LLP

February 23, 2026

ACV Auctions Inc.
640 Ellicott Street, #321
Buffalo, New York 14203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to ACV Auctions Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), and are delivering this opinion in connection with the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the “**Registration Statement**”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for the registration of (i) 8,658,965 shares (the “**Shares**”) of the Company’s common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, that were added to the shares of common stock authorized for issuance pursuant to the Company’s 2021 Equity Incentive Plan (the “**2021 Plan**”) and (ii) 1,731,793 Shares of the Company’s common stock that were added to the shares of common stock authorized for issuance pursuant to the Company’s Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the “**ESPP**,” and together with the 2021 Plan, the “**Plans**”). We, as your counsel, have examined originals or copies of such documents, corporate records, certificates of public officials and other instruments as we have deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of rendering this opinion.

In rendering the opinion expressed herein, we have, without independent inquiry or investigation, assumed that (i) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic and complete, (ii) all documents submitted to us as copies conform to authentic, complete originals, (iii) all signatures on all documents that we reviewed are genuine, (iv) all natural persons executing documents had and have the legal capacity to do so, (v) all statements in certificates of public officials and officers of the Company that we reviewed were and are accurate and (vi) all representations made by the Company as to matters of fact in the documents that we reviewed were and are accurate.

On the basis of the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, when and to the extent issued pursuant to the Plans upon receipt by the Company of the consideration for the Shares specified therein, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We are members of the Bar of the State of New York and the foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the ACV Auctions Inc. 2021 Equity Incentive Plan and the ACV Auctions Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated of our reports dated February 23, 2026, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of ACV Auctions Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of ACV Auctions Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2025, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Buffalo, NY
February 23, 2026