FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wade M. Andrew						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]									Check	all app Dired	olicable)	g Person(s) to I	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012									X	belov			
(Street) WEST CHESTE	EST OH 45069				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	ate) (Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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Common Stock 12/31/						/2012				V	281(1))	A	\$5.87(2		6,101		D	
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)	rative Conversion Date Execution Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			ative rities ired osed	Expiration (Month/E	Date Expiration Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Expiration Date Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares			rice of vative urity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares acquired pursuant to the AtriCure, Inc. 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan for the period ended December 31, 2012.
- 2. Closing price on December 31, 2012 was \$6.90.

/s/ M. Andrew Wade

01/02/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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