## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Wade M. Andrew						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]									Check	all app	p of Reportir blicable) ctor er (give title	ng Pers	10% C	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2013									X	belov		Financ	below)	
(Street) WEST CHESTE (City)	EST OH 45069 HESTER			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execut Day/Year) if any			A. Deemed Recution Date, any lonth/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Secu Bene		cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	•	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(1130.4)
Common Stock 02/20/						3					180(1	.)	D	\$8.49		22,859			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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date,	Code (Instr.		Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	Expiration (Month/E	Date Expiration  Date Expiration  Date Expiration  Date Expiration			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Dii or (I)	o. wnership orm: irect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Reporting Person has elected to transfer these shares to the Company to satisfy the tax withholding obligation incurred upon the vesting and release of shares previously acquired pursuant to a Restricted Stock Award.

/s/ M. Andrew Wade

02/21/2013

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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