FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Hooven Michael D					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
HOOVEII MICHAEL D														X	Director	•		10% Ow	/ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/28/2008									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
7778 BENNINGTON DRIVE					$\vdash$										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)					_ 4.1	If Ame	endment, I	Date (	of Original Fi	ed (	(Month/Day	y/Year)		. Indivine)			_			
CINCINNATI OH 45241													71	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(	State)	(Zip)												Person					
		Ta	ble I - Nor	ո-Deri	vativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Ber	neficia	ally	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/D.					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				4 and Securitie Beneficia		es Form ally (D) of Following (I) (II		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transac		on(s)			Instr. 4)	
			Table II -						uired, Dis s, options						wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversior or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution E if any (Month/Day	I 4. Date, Transa Code			of		6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			and 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		5	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						
Stock Option (Right to	\$10.1	05/28/2008			A		10,000		05/28/2009 <sup>(1</sup>	) (	05/28/2018	Common Stock	10,00	00	(2)	10,00	10	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Exercisable cumulatively at a rate of 33.33% per annum commencing on the earlier of (i) the anniversary of the date of grant (May 28) and (ii) the date on which the Company's annual meeting of stockholders is held that year, provided Mr. Hooven is a director immediately prior to such annual meeting.
- 2. Not applicable.

/s/ Julie A. Piton as Attorneyin-Fact for Michael D. Hooven

05/30/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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