

AtriCure, Inc.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ROBARDS KAREN P**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
173 RIVERSIDE DRIVE  
  
(Street)  
  
NEW YORK, NY 10024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/25/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/25/2016		M		10,000	A	\$ 7.99
					323,328	D	

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.99	05/25/2016		M	10,000	06/21/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/21/2016	Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.99	05/25/2016		A	10,000	05/25/2017 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/25/2026	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBARDS KAREN P 173 RIVERSIDE DRIVE NEW YORK, NY 10024		X		

## Signatures

/s/ M. Andrew Wade as Attorney-in-Fact for Karen P. Robards 05/26/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
  - (1) These options were granted on June 21, 2006 and are exercisable commencing on the earlier of (i) the anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the date on which the Company's annual meeting of stockholders is held that year, provided the Reporting Person is a director immediately prior to such annual meeting.
  - (2) Exercisable cumulatively at a rate of 33.33% per annum commencing on the earlier of (i) the anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the date on which the Company's annual meeting of stockholders is held that year, provided the Reporting Person is a director immediately prior to such annual meeting.
  - (3) Not applicable

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