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*  Strong Stewart W  (Last) (First) (Middle)  6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2010										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (speci below)  Vice President US Sales					owner (specify
(Street) WEST CHESTE			45069 Zip)		4. If	f Ame	endment,	, Date o	f Original	I Filed	(Month/Da	ay/Ye	ear)		ine) X I	ual or s Form t Form t Persor				
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Common Stock			06/30/2010					A	V	750(1)	)	A	\$4.	8(2)	26,600			D		
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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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	n Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)	(Instr		rative rities ired r osed ) : 3, 4	6. Date Expiratio (Month/D	on Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount mber	8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5	ive of S	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 June 30, 2010.
- 2. Closing price on June 30, 2010 was \$6.65.

/s/ Julie A. Piton as Attorneyin-Fact for Stewart Strong

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/02/2010

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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