

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIESFiled pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Wade M. Andrew</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE</u> (Street) <u>WEST CHESTER OH 45069</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/01/2012</u> | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]</u> | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/05/2012</u> |
| | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP and Chief Financial Officer</u> | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>7,758⁽¹⁾</u> | <u>D</u> | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 1,938 shares acquired under the AtriCure, Inc. 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

/s/ M. Andrew Wade01/24/2013

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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