FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Privitera Salvatore 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/24/2017		nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]								
(Last) 7555 INNOV	(First) ATION WAY	(Middle)	_		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title		on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify		If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check		
(Street) MASON (City)	OH (State)	45040 (Zip)			X	below) Chief Technology	below)	City		cable Line) Form filed by	y One Reporting Person y More than One
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					unt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock					6,000	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conve	rcise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title	9	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivation Securit	tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Salvatore Privitera 07/24/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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