FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  JOHNSTON RICHARD M				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]										ationship o all applica Director	able)	Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow	ner		
(Last)	`	rst) CRS HOLDINGS	(Middle)	,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2015								Officer ( below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify			
500 EAST PRATT STREET, SUITE 1200					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street)	IORE M	D	21202											ine) X	•					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 5)							s Illy ollowing	Form:	Direct Indirect Istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code V Amount (A) or (D)		Price	е	Transacti	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)										
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
		ransac ode (Ir	ansaction of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and An of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			ies g Securi	Derivative Security curity (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
				C	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.62	05/20/2015			A		10,000		05/20/2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	5/20/2025	Common Stock	10,00	00	(2)	10,000		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 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. Not applicable

## Remarks:

/s/ M. Andrew Wade as

Attorney-In-Fact for Richard

M. Johnston

05/22/2015

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- \*\* 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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