FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GROVES REGINA E 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2017			nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]							
(Last) 15 LA COSTA) (First) (Middle)		00,21,201,		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) X Director		son(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street)						Officer (give title below)	Other (sp below)	ecify		cable Line)	/Group Filing (Check
DELLWOOD	MN	55110									y More than One
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
		Т	able I - Nor	-Derivat	ive S	ecurities Beneficiall	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						ınt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock						0	D				
		(e. <u>ç</u>				urities Beneficially options, convertible		es)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			nicahle and	and 3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secur					5.	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ M. Andrew Wade as

Attorney-In-Fact for Regina E. 03/21/2017

Groves

** 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).
- ** 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Jeanette Yacucci, M. Andrew Wade and F. Mark Reuter signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact solely with respect to equity of AtriCure to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned with respect to AtriCure, Inc., Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder.
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 and 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 14 day of March, 2017.

By: /s/ Regina Groves Regina Groves