RAAB MICHAEL Form 4 August 11, 2017

## FORM 4

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See Instruction 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RAAB MICHAEL			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200			(Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2017	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specification) below) President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	<ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul>		
FREMONT, C	CA 94555			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (D)			of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/07/2017		A	79,535 (1)	A	\$0	99,038	D	
Common Stock							70,385	I	See Footnote (2)

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

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	3
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.7	08/09/2017		A	79,535	(3)	08/09/2027	Common Stock	79,535	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RAAB MICHAEL C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555	X		President & CEO			

## **Signatures**

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael
Raab

08/11/2017

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

- \* 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).
- (1) Restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of Common Stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.

Date

- (2) The shares are directly held by Michael G. Raab, Trustee of the Michael G. Raab Living Trust dated July 25, 2012.
  - The option becomes exercisable as it vests and the shares subject to the option vest with respect to 2/3 of the shares subject thereto on
- (3) December 31, 2018 and 1/3 of the shares subject thereto on June 1, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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