### **3** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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Reminder: Rep owned directly	-		ch class of securities bene	ficially	SEC 1473 (7-02	.)			
Common St	ock		7,758 (1)		D	Â			
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity			t of Securities	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial ership		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deriva	tive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned		
WEST CHESTER, OH 45069				X_ Officer (give title belo	DirectorOwner OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) VP and Chief Financial Officer		Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
6217 CENT	RE PARK	DRIVE			all applicable)	<ul> <li>5. If Amendment, Date Original</li> <li>Filed(Month/Day/Year)</li> <li>11/05/2012</li> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group</li> </ul>			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	11/01/2012		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Wade M		porting	2. Date of Event Requirin Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]				

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

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Wade M. Andrew 6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE WEST CHESTER, OH 45069	Â	Â	VP and Chief Financial Officer	Â		

## Signatures

/s/ M. Andrew Wade	01/24/2013		
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* 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).

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

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