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### FORM 4

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ANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

X Director

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

Symbol

1(b).

(Last)

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

(Middle)

JOHNSTON RICHARD M

	500 EAST 1200	PRATT STREET	*	(Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2011				XDirector10% OwnerOfficer (give titleOther (specify below)			
(Street) 4. If An				Ionth/Day/Year) A				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi										ly Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Common Stock	03/04/2011		S	10,548	D	\$ 10.0756	872,736	I	Held by Camden Partners Strategic Fund II-A, LP (3)	
	Common Stock	03/04/2011		S	626	D	\$ 10.0756 (2)	51,772	I	Held by Camden Partners Strategic	

Fund II-B, LP (4)

Common Stock	03/07/2011	S	1,475	D	\$ 10.0738 (5)	871,261	I	Camden Partners Strategic Fund II-A, LP (3)
Common Stock	03/07/2011	S	87	D	\$ 10.0738 (6)	51,685	I	Held by Camden Partners Strategic Fund II-B, LP (4)
Common Stock						11,658	I	Held by Camden Partners Holdings, LLC (7)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	iorNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
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					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		Or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				C-1- V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	' (A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JOHNSTON RICHARD M 500 EAST PRATT STREET	X						

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SUITE 1200 BATIMORE, MD 21202

### **Signatures**

/s/ Julie A. Piton as Attorney-in-Fact for Richard M. Johnston

03/08/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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) Prices range from \$10.05 per share to \$10.12 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide full pricing information if requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (2) Prices range from \$10.05 per share to \$10.12 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide full pricing information if requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- Mr. Johnston is a managing member of Camden Partners Holdings, LLC, which provides investment and management advisory services to Camden Partners Strategic Fund II-A, LP. Mr. Johnston disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by this entity, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.
- Mr. Johnston is a managing member of Camden Partners Holdings, LLC, which provides investment and management advisory services (4) to Camden Partners Strategic Fund II-B, LP. Mr. Johnston disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by this entity, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) Prices range from \$10.05 per share to \$10.10 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide full pricing information if requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (6) Prices range from \$10.05 per share to \$10.10 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide full pricing information if requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (7) Mr. Johnston is a managing member of Camden Partners Holdings, LLC. Mr. Johnston disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by this entity, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.

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