AtriCure, Inc. Form 4 August 14, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROBARDS KAREN P

> (First) (Middle)

Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2006

(Street)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10024

173 RIVERSIDE DRIVE

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(D) or

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 08/10/2006 Stock

Code V Amount (D) Price 469 (1) A X

166,499 D

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo (D) (Instr	rities nired or osed of r. 3, 4,	(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
Common Stock Warrants(Right to Buy)	\$ 5.43	08/10/2006		X		5,242	04/22/2002	08/10/2006	Common Stock	46

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ROBARDS KAREN P 173 RIVERSIDE DRIVE NEW YORK, NY 10024	X						

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Etergino as Attorney-in-Fact for Karen P.
Robards
08/14/2006

**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).
- On August 10, 2006, 5,242 warrants owned by Ms. Robards were automatically exercised pursuant to a net issue exercise, resulting in her acquisition of 469 shares of Common Stock. The warrants were exercisable at \$5.96 per share (a price equal to the closing average of the Common Stock for the 10 trading days prior to August 10, 2006).
- (2) The net number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of 5,242 warrants, calculated pursuant to the terms of the warrant.
- (3) Not applicable

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