ARDELYX, INC. Form 4 March 03, 2017

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Jacobs Jeffrey W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
C/O ARDELY			(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2017	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200				SVP, Technical Operations		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
FREMONT, C	CA 94555			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities I Beneficially (Owned I	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	03/01/2017		M(1)	3,000	A	\$ 0.54	71,450 (3) (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 13.7	68,450 (3) (2)	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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) cquired A) or visposed of D) nstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.54	03/01/2017		M(1)	3,000	<u>(4)</u>	08/11/2021	Common Stock	3,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Jacobs Jeffrey W C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555

SVP, Technical Operations

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Jeffrey W. Jacobs

03/03/2017

\*\*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) Transaction made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on December 21, 2016
- (2) Includes 17,985 restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) shares of Common Stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- (3) Includes 940 shares acquired under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on February 28, 2017.
- (4) The option is fully vested and exercisable.

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