#### CARREL MICHAEL H

Form 4

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### FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CARREL MICHAEL H	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
	AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
	(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE	11/01/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specification) below)		
		President, CEO and Director		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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#### WEST CHESTER, OH 45069

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Dis	sposed	of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5	<b>5</b> )	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	A4	or	D.::	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common	11/01/2012		A	66,667	Α	\$ 0	66,667	D	
Stock	11/01/2012			00,007	4.	(1)	00,007	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.91	11/01/2012		A	125,000	11/01/2013(2)	11/01/2022	Common Stock	125,0
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.91	11/01/2012		A	225,000	<u>(4)</u>	11/01/2022	Common Stock	250,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting of their remarks and their	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CARREL MICHAEL H 6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE WEST CHESTER, OH 45069	X		President, CEO and Director					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael H.

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\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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) The Reporting Person acquired these shares pursuant to a Restricted Stock Award under the AtriCure, Inc. 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares will vest four years from the date of grant.
- (2) The option vests and is exercisable as to 25% of the shares one year from the date of grant, and the remaining 75% thereafter vests and is exercisable in equal monthly installments on the same day of the month over the following three years.
- (3) Not applicable.
- Options to purchase shares in 25,000 increments vest at each Option Trigger Event. "Option Trigger Event" shall mean the volume adjusted weighted average closing price of the common stock of the Company as reported by NASDAQ (or any other exchange on which the common stock of the Company is listed) for 30 consecutive days equals or exceeds each of \$10.00 per share, \$12.50 per share, \$15.00 per share, \$17.50 per share, \$20.00 per share, \$25.00 per share, \$30.00 per share, \$35.00 per share and \$40.00 per share.

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