

Bertrand William C JR  
Form 4  
June 15, 2018

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bertrand William C JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175  
ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200

(Street)

FREMONT, CA 94555

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

06/13/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	06/13/2018		A	(A) or (D) Price	12,406 (1) \$ 0 33,887	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Date of Selling (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.03	06/13/2018		A		15,000 <u>(2)</u>		<u>(3)</u>	06/13/2028	Common Stock	15,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Bertrand William C JR  
C/O ARDELYX, INC.  
34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200  
FREMONT, CA 94555

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## Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for William  
Bertrand Jr.

06/15/2018

\_\_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) The shares were issued pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Compensation Program. The Reporting Person elected to receive stock in lieu of cash as permitted under the program.
- (2) The option was issued pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Compensation Program.  
The option vests with respect to 1/12th of the shares subject thereto on each monthly anniversary of the grant date, which vesting will
- (3) accelerate in full on the date of the next annual stockholder's meeting to the extent unvested as of such date, subject to continued service through each applicable vesting date.

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