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# UNITED STATES

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934** 

(Amendment No. \_\_)\*

AtriCure, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

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# December 31, 2005

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:
"Rule 13d-1(b)
"Rule 13d-1(c)
x Rule 13d-1(d)
* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.
The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).
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CUSIP No. 049	963C 20 9
	Reporting Persons.  ntification Nos. of above persons (entities only).
	Norman R. Weldon
	Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
(a) "	
(b) <b>x</b> 3. SEC Use (	Only
4. Citizenshij	p or Place of Organization
	Jnited States 5. Sole Voting Power
Number of	0
Shares	6. Shared Voting Power
Beneficially	
Owned by	684,378*
Each	7. Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting	
Person	0
With:	8. Shared Dispositive Power
9. Aggregate	684,378* Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
	584,378* The Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

5.6%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

IN

\* Includes 122,368 shares held by Norman R. Weldon; 241,070 shares and 8,363 shares underlying warrants held by The Weldon Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation); 171,502 shares and 8,363 shares underlying warrants held by Partisan Management Group, Inc. (Partisan); and 115,594 shares and 17,118 shares underlying warrants held by Carol J. Weldon, his wife. Dr. Weldon is the president of the Foundation and a managing director of Partisan. Dr. Weldon may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by his wife, the Foundation and Partisan, and Dr. Weldon disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except as to his pecuniary interest therein. Dr. Weldon s wife may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by Dr. Weldon, and she disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except as to her pecuniary interest therein.

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CUSIP No. 049	963C 20 9
	Reporting Persons.  Intification Nos. of above persons (entities only).
	Carol J. Weldon
	e Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
(a) "	
(b) <b>x</b> 3. SEC Use	Only
4. Citizenshi	ip or Place of Organization
Ţ	United States 5. Sole Voting Power
Number of	0
Shares	6. Shared Voting Power
Beneficially	
Owned by	255,080*
Each	7. Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting	
Person	0
With:	8. Shared Dispositive Power
9. Aggregate	255,080* e Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
	255,080* he Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

2.1%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

IN

\* Includes 115,594 shares and 17,118 shares underlying warrants held by Carol J. Weldon and 122,368 shares held by Norman R. Weldon, Ms. Weldon s husband. Ms. Weldon disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by her husband, except as to her pecuniary interest therein. Norman R. Weldon may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to the shares held by his wife, and he disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his wife, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.

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CUSIP No. 04	9963C 20 9
1. Names of	f Reporting Persons.
I.R.S. Ide	entification Nos. of above persons (entities only).
	The Weldon Foundation, Inc.
	65-0715451
	e Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
(a) "	
(b) x 3. SEC Use	Only
4 Citizensh	ip or Place of Organization
4. Citizensii	ip of Trace of Organization
	Florida
	5. Sole Voting Power
Number of	0
Shares	6. Shared Voting Power
Beneficially	
Owned by	249,433*
Each	7. Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting	
Person	0
With:	8. Shared Dispositive Power
	249,433*
9. Aggregat	e Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

249,433\*

- 10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

2.1%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

CO

\* Includes 241,070 shares and 8,363 shares underlying warrants held by The Weldon Foundation, Inc. Dr. Weldon is the president of The Weldon Foundation, Inc. and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to these shares, and he disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.

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CUSIP No. 04963C 20 9
1. Names of Reporting Persons.
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).
Partisan Management Group, Inc.
65-0348124
2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
(a) ··
(b) x 3. SEC Use Only
4. Citizenship or Place of Organization
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Colorado
5. Sole Voting Power
Number of0
Shares 6. Shared Voting Power
Beneficially
Owned by 179,865*
Each 7. Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting
Person 0
With: 8. Shared Dispositive Power
179,865*
9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

179,865\*

- 10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

1.5%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

CO

\* Includes 171,502 shares and 8,363 shares underlying warrants held by Partisan Management Group, Inc. Dr. Weldon is a managing director of Partisan Management Group, Inc. and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to these shares, and he disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except as to his pecuniary interest therein.

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#### **Item 1.** (a) Name of Issuer

#### AtriCure, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices

#### 6033 Schumacher Park Drive

#### West Chester, OH 45069

#### **Item 2.** (a) Name of Person Filing

This statement on Schedule 13G (this Statement ) is being jointly filed by each of the following persons pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ):

- (1) Norman R. Weldon
- (2) Carol J. Weldon
- (3) The Weldon Foundation, Inc.
- (4) Partisan Management Group, Inc.

The entities and persons named in this Item 2(a) are individually referred to herein as a Reporting Person and collectively as the Reporting Persons. Dr. Weldon is the president of The Weldon Foundation, Inc. and a managing director of Partisan Management Group, Inc. Dr. Weldon and Carol Weldon are husband and wife.

The Reporting Persons have entered into a Joint Filing Agreement, dated the date hereof, a copy of which is filed with this Statement as Exhibit A (which is hereby incorporated by reference) pursuant to which the Reporting Persons have agreed to file this Statement jointly in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k)(1) under the Exchange Act.

Pursuant to Rule 13d-4 of the Exchange Act, the Reporting Persons expressly declare that the filing of this Statement shall not be construed as an admission that either of them is, for the purposes of Section 13(d) and/or Section 13(g) of the Exchange Act or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any shares covered by this Statement held by any other person.

(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence

Norman R. Weldon, Carol J. Weldon, and The Weldon Foundation, Inc.:

c/o AtriCure, Inc.

6033 Schumacher Park Drive

West Chester, OH 45069

#### Partisan Management Group, Inc.:

#### 293 Pearl Street

#### Boulder, CO 80302

- (c) Citizenship
  - (1) Norman R. Weldon United States
  - (2) Carol J. Weldon United States
  - (3) The Weldon Foundation, Inc. Florida
  - (4) Partisan Management Group, Inc. Colorado
- (d) Title of Class of Securities

#### **Common Stock**

(e) CUSIP Number

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#### Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-l(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

#### Not Applicable

- (a) Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) "Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) "Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) "Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
- (e) "An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-l(b)(l)(ii)(E);
- (f) "An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-l(b)(l)(ii)(F);
- (g) " A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-l(b)(l)(ii)(G);
- (h) "A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);

- (i) " A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- $\label{eq:conditional} \hbox{`` Group, in accordance with } \S 240.13 \hbox{d-l(b)(l)(ii)(J)}.$

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Turn 7. Ownership	Item	4.	Ownership	).
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Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

	See rows 5 through 11 of the Cover Page for each Reporting Person. The ownership percentages are based on 12,084,482 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer outstanding as of February 7, 2006.
	(a) Amount beneficially owned:
	(b) Percent of class:
	(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
	(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote
	(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote
	(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
	(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
Item 5.	Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class
	Not Applicable
Item 6.	If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ".  Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.
	Not Applicable
	If any other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such securities, a statement to that effect should be included in response to this item and, if such interest relates to more than five percent of the class, such person should be identified. A listing of the shareholders of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the beneficiaries of employee benefit plan, pension fund or endowment fund is not required.
Item 7.	Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company
	Not Applicable

If a parent holding company has filed this schedule, pursuant to Rule 13d-l(b)(ii)(G), so indicate under Item 3(g) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and the Item 3 classification of the relevant subsidiary. If a parent holding company has filed this schedule pursuant to Rule 13d-l(c) or Rule 13d-l(d), attach an exhibit stating the identification of the relevant subsidiary.

### Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

**Not Applicable** 

If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to \$240.13d-l(b)(l)(ii)(J), so indicate under Item 3(j) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and Item 3 classification of each member of the group. If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to \$240.13d-l(c) or \$240.13d-l(d), attach an exhibit stating the identity of each member of the group.

### Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not Applicable

Notice of dissolution of a group may be furnished as an exhibit stating the date of the dissolution and that all further filings with respect to transactions in the security reported on will be filed, if required, by members of the group, in their individual capacity. See Item 5.

#### Item 10. Certification

Not applicable

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#### **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 13, 2006

NORMAN R. WELDON

/s/ Norman R. Weldon

CAROL J. WELDON

/s/ Carol J. Weldon

THE WELDON FOUNDATION, INC.

By: /s/ Norman R. Weldon

Name: Norman R. Weldon

Title: President

PARTISAN MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Norman R. Weldon

Name: Norman R. Weldon Title: Managing Director

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person, evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement, provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

NOTE: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See \$240.13d-7 for other parties for whom copies are to be sent.

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

#### Exhibit A

### JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

In accordance with Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing on behalf of each of them of a statement on Schedule 13G (including amendments thereto) with respect to the Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, of AtriCure, Inc. and further agree that this Joint Filing Agreement be included as an exhibit to such statement. This Joint Filing Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned hereby execute this Joint Filing Agreement as of February 13, 2006.

NORMAN R. WELDON

/s/ Norman R. Weldon

CAROL J. WELDON

/s/ Carol J. Weldon

THE WELDON FOUNDATION, INC.

By: /s/ Norman R. Weldon

Name: Norman R. Weldon

Title: President

PARTISAN MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Norman R. Weldon

Name: Norman R. Weldon Title: Managing Director

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