

AtriCure, Inc.
Form 8-K
February 13, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) of the
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 8, 2006

AtriCure, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-51470
(Commission File Number)

34-1940305
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

6033 Schumacher Park Drive
West Chester, OH
(Address of principal executive offices)

45069
(Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 755-4100

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Effective February 8, 2006, our Board of Directors appointed Mark Lanning to the Board and to the Board's Audit Committee.

A press release announcing the appointment was issued on February 13, 2006, a copy of which is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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99.1	Press release dated February 13, 2006.
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ATRICURE, INC.

By: /s/ David J. Drachman

David J. Drachman
President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 13, 2006

EXHIBIT LIST

No. **Description**

99.1 Press release dated February 13, 2006.