

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

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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**

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**AtriCure, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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**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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- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - .. 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

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David J. Drachman  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 13, 2006

**EXHIBIT LIST**

**No.**      **Description**

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99.1      Press release dated February 13, 2006.