FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lonking Appelies						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>Jenkins Annalisa</u>												X Director	r		10% Ov	/ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/13/2018						\dashv	Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
C/O ARI	DELYX, IN																	
34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)												- 1	,	led by One	. Reno	rtina Persor		
FREMO	NT C	A	94555									Form fi	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)															
		Та	ble I - Non-	Derivati	ve Se	ecurities	Acq	uired,	Dis	oosed of	, or Ber	neficiall	y Owned					
Dat					. Transaction Pate Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	s ally ollowing	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			instr. 4)	
Common Stock 06/13/								A		13,399	1) A	\$0.00	13,	13,399		D		
			Table II - D (e			urities A ls, warra							Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,	Code (Instr.		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)		e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s (Instr. 4)				
Stock Option (Right to	\$4.03	06/13/2018		A		15,000 ⁽²⁾		(3)		06/13/2028	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,00	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 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.
- 3. The option vests with respect to 1/12th of the shares subject thereto on each monthly anniversary of the grant date, which vesting will 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.

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer,

Attorney-in-Fact for Annalisa 06/15/2018

<u>Jenkins</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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