FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* RAAB MICHAEL							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX]									able)	ng Perso	on(s) to Iss	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2017								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO					
(Street) FREMONT CA 94555					_ 4. _	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)					rivotio	ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic														
1. Title of S	Security (Inst		DIC I - INC		saction		2A. Deemed		3.	Dis	1	es Acquired		ally	5. Amount	of	6. Own	ership	7. Nature of	
Date (Month/Da					n/Day/Ye	y/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		,	Code (Instr.			Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		Beneficiall Owned Fo		ly (D) or		ndirect (Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	nt (A) or (D)			Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 01/19/2							017		A		17,985(1) A	\$0.0	00	19,503		J	D		
Common Stock														70,385				See Footnote ⁽²⁾		
			Table II								osed of, converti				wned					
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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shar	r		(Instr. 4)				
Stock Option (Right to	\$13.9	01/19/2017			A		318,141		(3)		01/19/2027	Common Stock	318,14	41	\$0.00	318,141		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) shares of Common Stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- 2. The shares are directly held by Michael G. Raab, Trustee of the Michael G. Raab Living Trust dated July 25, 2012.
- 3. The option becomes exercisable as it vests and the shares subject to the option vest in 48 successive, equal monthly installments on each monthly anniversary of January 19, 2017, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer,

01/23/2017 Attorney-in-Fact for Michael

Raab

** 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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