## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Seeto Reginald						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ ARDX ]									ck all applic	cable)	g Pers	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARDELYX, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2017									below)	nief Oper	below)	peony	
34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200  (Street) FREMONT CA 94555					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benef												ficially	, Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date							A. Deemed		3. 4. Securi			ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			5. Amount of Securities				7. Nature of Indirect
(Month/Da					/Day/Ye	ear)	if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.   5)						Beneficia	ally (D) c Following (I) (II d tion(s)		or Indirect Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pr		Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a			<u> </u>	,
Common Stock 08/07/2						′2017			A		26,512	A \$0.0		\$0.00	0 158,133			D	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	or Ni of	umber					
Stock Option (Right to	\$4.7	08/09/2017			A		26,512		(2)	0	8/09/2027	Commo Stock	<sup>1</sup> 20	6,512	\$0.00	26,512		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of Common Stock for each one (1) RSU upon the vesting thereof.
- 2. The option becomes exercisable as it vests and the shares subject to the option vest with respect to 2/3 of the shares subject thereto on December 31, 2018 and 1/3 of the shares subject thereto on June 1, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer,

08/11/2017 Attorney-in-Fact for Reginald

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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