FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Caldwell Jeremy S						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ ARDX ]									ck all applic Directo	r		10% Ow	ner
	O ARDELYX, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2017									below)	Officer (give title elow)  EVP, Chief So		Other (s below) fic Officer	
34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) FREMONT CA 94555						The state of the s									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				ı
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)												1 013011				
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curities	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	of, or Be	enefi	cially	/ Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Da					ay/Year) if a		2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquii I Of (D) (In		I and Securitie Benefici Owned F		es For ally (D) Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/07/						/2017		A		26,512 <sup>(1)</sup> A		. ;	\$0.00	44,497			D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution E if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transactio Code (Insti				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Stock Option (Right to	\$4.7	08/09/2017			A		26,512		(2)	0	8/09/2027	Common Stock	26,	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, <u>Attorney-in-Fact for Jeremy S.</u> 08/11/2017 <u>Caldwell</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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