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### FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RINGOLD GORDON |          |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARDELYX, INC. [ARDX] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)                             |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------|----------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last)  | (First)  | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction   | (Check all applicable)   |  |  |  |  |
| C/O ARDELYX, INC., 34175<br>ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 100     |          |          | (Month/Day/Year)<br>06/10/2015  | X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)                               |  |  |  |  |
|   | (Street) |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |  |  |  |  |
| FREMONT, CA 94555   |          |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |
| (City)  | (State)  | (Zip)    | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac                                  | quired Disposed of or Reneficially Owned   |  |  |  |  |

| (City)                 | (State)                              | (Zip) Tab                     | le I - Non-l     | Derivative   | Secur     | ities Acqui         | red, Disposed of,   | or Beneficial              | ly Owned                |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3.<br>Transactio | 4. Securit   |           | quired (A)          | 5. Amount of Securities                                     | 6.<br>Ownership            | 7. Nature of Indirect   |
| (Instr. 3)             | (Month Buy, 10ar)                    | any (Month/Day/Year)          | Code (Instr. 8)  | (Instr. 3, 4 |           | ` ′                 | Beneficially<br>Owned                                       | Form: Direct (D)           | Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|                        |                                      | ( <u>)</u>                    | ,                |              | (A)<br>or |                     | Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4)              |
|                        |                                      |                               | Code V           | Amount       | (D)       | Price               | (IIISU. 3 allu 4)   |                            |                         |
| Common<br>Stock        | 06/10/2015                           |                               | P                | 10,000       | A         | \$<br>15.188<br>(1) | 10,000  | I                          | By IRA                  |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Derivative Expiration Date (Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 14.6   | 06/11/2015                              |   | A                                      | 15,000<br>(2)  | (3)   | 06/11/2025         | Common<br>Stock   | 15,000                              |

### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |
| RINGOLD GORDON<br>C/O ARDELYX, INC.<br>34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 100<br>FREMONT, CA 94555 | X             |           |         |       |  |

### **Signatures**

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Gordon
Ringold
06/12/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades in prices ranging from \$14.915 to \$15.43, inclusive. The price reported in Column 4 above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each respective price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The option was issued pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Compensation Program.
- 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.

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