

ARDELIX, INC.

Form 3

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**FORM 3****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting  
Person \*

A Shaw Bryan

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

C/O ARDELIX, INC., A 34175  
ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE  
200

(Street)

FREMONT, A CA A 94555

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring  
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/01/2016

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ARDELIX, INC. [ARDX]4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner

\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Officer \_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)

Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group  
Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting  
Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One  
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities  
Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership  
Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially  
owned directly or indirectly.

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)Date  
ExercisableExpiration  
Date3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying  
Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

Title

Amount or  
Number of4. Conversion  
or Exercise  
Price of  
Derivative  
Security5. Ownership  
Form of  
Derivative  
Security:  
Direct (D)6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	11/21/2026	Common Stock	33,790	\$ 15.4	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shaw Bryan C/O ARDELYX, INC. 34175 ARDENWOOD BLVD, SUITE 200 FREMONT, CA 94555	Â	Â	Â Chief Accounting Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth Grammer, Attorney-in-Fact for Bryan Shaw  
12/16/2016

\_\_\_\_Signature of Reporting Person  
Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).  
Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary measured from November 21, 2016, and the remaining shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable in 36 successive, equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment or service relationship with the Issuer on each such vesting date.

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