Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LEE DAVID ASHLEY | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARTIVION, INC. [AORT] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
|--|--|------|---|--|--------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) ARTIVION, INC. 1655 ROBERTS BLVD, NW | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2022 | | | | | | | | below) below) Executive VP, COO & CFO | | | | |
| (Street) KENNESAW GA 30144 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| | | | Table | I - N | on-De | riva | tive S | Secu | ıriti | es Acq | uired, Dis | posed o | f, or | Benefic | ially Own | ed | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | Security Date | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | Owners | (D) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | Amou | ınt | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and | (I) (Inst | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/05/20 | 022 | 03/05/20 |)22 | F | | 1,77 | 9(1) | D | \$21.69 | 294,290 |) D | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/05/20 | 022 | 03/05/20 |)22 | F | | 367 | (2) | D | \$21.69 | 293,923 | 3 D | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | 22,560 | I | | *IndirectsharesownedbySpouse(5,000),Sharesto. Trust(17,560) | | estoDAL | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Derivative Conversion Da | | Date | Date Execution Date, Month/Day/Year) if any | | | 4. | | of De Se Ac (A) Dis of (In | Number rivative curities quired or sposed (D) str. 3, 4 d 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4) | | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | or Number of | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represent shares of restricted stock that were withheld for taxes on the grant vest date.
- 2. These shares were withheld upon the vesting of performance stock units to pay tax withholding obligations.

/s/ David Ashley Lee 03/07/2022

** 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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