Harrington John J Form 4 September 17, 2018

#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Harrington John J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Tr		
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner		
3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE		JE	09/13/2018	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/13/2018		S	7,500 (1)	D	\$ 1.9131 (2)	684,320	D	
Common Stock	09/14/2018		S	7,500 (1)	D	\$ 1.9145 (3)	676,820	D	
Common Stock	09/17/2018		F	9,050 (4)	D	\$ 1.88	667,770 (5)	D	

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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#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Harrington John J			Exec				
3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE	X		Vice Pres				
CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634			and CSO				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for John J.

Harrington 09/17/2018

\*\*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).
- (1) Shares sold pursuant to a predefined Rule 10b5-1 trading plan for tax and planning purposes.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.90 (2) to \$1.94, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted for tax and planning purposes.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.895 (3) to \$1.95, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted for tax and planning
- (4) Shares withheld from the quarterly vesting of annual restricted stock unit awards related to the minimum tax withholding obligation.
- (5) Securities beneficially owned are comprised of: (1) 403,269 shares of common stock owned and (2) unvested restricted stock units aggregating 264,501 related to annual awards, which vest quarterly over a three or four-year period from grant date.

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