Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Watanabe Todd Franklin				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ ARQT ]									k all app Direc	licable) tor		Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 3027 TOWNSGATE ROAD, SUITE 300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2023								X	Officer (give title below)  See Remarks			
(Street) WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA 91361				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St	ate) (Ž	Zip)															
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	ative S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	or B	ene	ficially	/ Own	ed		
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. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 5)		red (/ str. 3	A) or s, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
						Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r F	Price	Tuona action(a)			(1130.4)			
Common	Stock			02/13/2	2023				S <sup>(1)</sup>		441	D		\$17	37	7,466	D	
Common Stock			02/13/2023				<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		42	D		\$17.01	37	7,424	D			
Common Stock			02/14/2023				S <sup>(1)</sup>		417	D		\$17.02	377,007		D			
Common Stock			02/14/2023				S <sup>(1)</sup>		100	D		\$17.03	37	6,907	D			
Common	Stock														17	7,850	I	By Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock														17	7,850	I	By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock															124,956		I	By Trust <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock														57,358		I	By LLC <sup>(5)</sup>	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			ion Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expirat	ion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (In		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: y Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	ct (Instr. 4)	
			Code	ode V (A) (D)		(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Num of Shar							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person.
- 2. The securities are held of record by The Anderson Prest Watanabe Irrevocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
- 3. The securities are held of record by The John Franklin Watanabe Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes
- 4. The securities are held of record by The Watanabe 2016 Irrevocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person's children are beneficiaries. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpos
- 5. The securities are held of record by Watanabe Ventures, LLC, of which the Reporting Person is the Chief Operating Officer. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Reporting Person's title: Chief Executive Officer and President

/s/ Scott Burrows, Attorneyin-Fact for Todd Franklin Watanabe

02/15/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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