

DRENNING JOHN B
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DRENNING JOHN B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE M&T PLAZA, SUITE 2000

(Street)

BUFFALO, NY 14203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ASTRONICS CORP [ATRO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
12/30/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
\$.01 PV Com Stk	12/30/2008		G		1,000	D	\$ 0 88,250	D	
\$.01 PV Cl B Stk							110,666	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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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 4.799					08/05/1999	02/05/2009	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,970
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 4.799					08/05/1999	02/05/2009	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	3,573
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 4.273					08/15/2000	02/15/2010	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,970
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 4.273					08/15/2000	02/15/2010	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	3,573
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 8.082					08/15/2001	02/15/2011	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,970
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 8.082					08/15/2001	02/15/2011	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	2,795
<u>Option (1)</u>	\$ 5.969					08/14/2002	02/14/2012	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,970
Option	\$ 5.969					08/14/2002	02/14/2012	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,243

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<u>Option</u> <u>(1)</u>	\$ 4.146	08/11/2003	02/11/2013	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,970
Option	\$ 4.146	08/11/2003	02/11/2013	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,243
<u>Option</u> <u>(1)</u>	\$ 4.392	08/19/2004	02/19/2014	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,000
Option	\$ 4.392	08/19/2004	02/19/2014	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,000
<u>Option</u> <u>(1)</u>	\$ 5.232	08/28/2005	02/28/2015	\$.01 PV Com Stk	4,000
Option	\$ 5.232	08/28/2005	02/28/2015	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,000
<u>Option</u> <u>(2)</u>	\$ 10.728	09/06/2006	03/06/2016	\$.01 PV Com Stk	5,000
Option	\$ 10.728	09/06/2006	03/06/2016	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,250
<u>Option</u> <u>(2)</u>	\$ 14.08	09/20/2007	03/20/2017	\$.01 PV Com Stk	5,000
Option	\$ 14.08	09/20/2007	03/20/2017	\$.01 PV Cl B Stk	1,250
<u>Option</u> <u>(2)</u>	\$ 15.288	09/20/2008	03/20/2018	\$.01 PV Com Stk	2,500
Option	\$ 15.288	09/20/2008	03/20/2018		625

\$.01
 PV
 Cl B
 Stk

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DRENNING JOHN B ONE M&T PLAZA, SUITE 2000 BUFFALO, NY 14203		X		

Signatures

/s/David C. Burney as Power of Attorney for John B.
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12/31/2008

__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) Granted pursuant to the Company's 1997 Directors Stock Option Plan.
- (2) Granted pursuant to the Company's 2005 Directors Stock Option Plan.

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