

VENTAS INC

Form 4

January 29, 2016

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RINEY T RICHARD

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**10350 ORMSBY PARK
PLACE, SUITE 300**

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40223

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/27/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP, Chief Admin. Off., GC

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/27/2016		A	Amount (1) 13,010 or (D)	\$ 0	141,613	D
Common Stock	01/27/2016		F	Amount (2) 1,522 or (D)	\$ 53.79	140,091	D
Common Stock	01/29/2016		F	Amount (3) 1,552 or (D)	\$ 55.32	138,539	D
Common Stock						1,300	I By IRA
Common Stock						70,000	I By Spouse

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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)

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.79	01/27/2016		A	29,702 (4)	01/27/2016 ⁽⁵⁾ 01/27/2026	Common Stock	29,702

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RINEY T RICHARD 10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE SUITE 300 LOUISVILLE, KY 40223			EVP, Chief Admin. Off., GC	

Signatures

T. Richard
Riney
01/29/2016
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) Restricted stock granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2012 Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). This restricted stock vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date of the grant.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to pay the taxes on the vesting of restricted stock granted on January 27, 2016 under the Plan.
- (3) Represents shares withheld to pay the taxes on the vesting of restricted stock granted on January 29, 2104 under the Plan.
- (4) Stock options granted by Issuer pursuant to the Plan.

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(5) These options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the date of the grant.

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