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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cobb John D.			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
353 N. CLARF 3300	K STREET,	SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2016	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
CHICAGO,, II	L 60654		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	ities Acquir	ed, 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. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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	08/02/2016		M	8,066	A	\$ 46.62	66,256	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2016		S	8,066 (1) (2)	D	\$ 74.865	58,190	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2016		M	31,934	A	\$ 51.85	90,124	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2016		S	31,934 (1) (2)	D	\$ 74.865	58,190	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2016		S	20,000 (1) (3)	D	\$ 75.4159	38,190 (4)	D	

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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 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.62	08/02/2016		M	8,066	03/09/2013(5)	03/09/2022	Common Stock	8,066
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.85	08/02/2016		M	31,934	01/29/2014(6)	01/29/2024	Common Stock	31,934
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 73.71	08/03/2016		A	31,004 (7)	08/03/2016(8)	08/03/2026	Common Stock	31,004

# **Reporting Owners**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships  Director 10% Owner Officer				
Cobb John D. 353 N. CLARK STREET, SUITE 3300 CHICAGO,, IL 60654			EVP, Chief Investment Off.		
<b>Signatures</b> John D. Cobb, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact		08	8/04/2016		

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Date

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## **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) On August 2, 2016, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported in Table I.
- The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$74.32 to \$75.26, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Issuer, any security holder of Issuer or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (2).
- The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$75.26 to \$76.20, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Issuer, any security holder of Issuer or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (3).
- (4) Includes 4,481 shares that are held jointly with spouse.
- (5) These options were part of a previously reported grant by the Issuer to the Reporting Person which vested in three equal annual installments beginning March 9, 2013.
- (6) These options were part of a previously reported grant by the Issuer to the Reporting Person which vested in three equal annual installments beginning January 29, 2014.
- (7) Stock options granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2012 Incentive Plan.
- (8) These options vest one-third on the date of grant, one-third on January 27, 2017 and one-third on January 27, 2018.

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