HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading TRUMBULL R SCOTT Issuer Symbol HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/ (Check all applicable) [HCN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) C/O HEALTH CARE REIT. 01/26/2015 INC., 4500 DORR STREET (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 **TOLEDO, OH 43615** Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ities Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or			or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code Disposed of (D)))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	tr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A \		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/26/2015		M	552	A	\$ 0 (1)	30,379.1086 (2)	D	
Common Stock							7,087	I	IRA (3)
Common							23,362	I	Trust (4)

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1. Title of				4.		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration		7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactionof		Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative (Month/Day/Year)		:)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Securities					
	Derivative				Acquired				
	Security				(A) or				
	-				Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
									Amount
									or
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number
									of
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares
Deferred									
Stock	\$ 0 (5)	01/26/2015		M	552	$01/26/2015^{(5)}$	01/26/2015(5)	Common	552 (1)
Units	· - · -					_	_		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TRUMBULL R SCOTT C/O HEALTH CARE REIT, INC. 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615

X

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: R. Scott Trumbull

01/28/2015

**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).
- The reported transaction was a vesting of 552 deferred stock units on January 26, 2015, resulting in the issuance of 552 shares of common stock. No amount was payable in connection with the vesting or the common stock issuance.
- (2) Amount includes 1420.7163 shares acquired in 2014 under the dividend reinvestment plan.
- (3) R. Scott Trumbull IRA.

The shares are held in the Irrevocable Lifetime Spousal Credit Trust of R. Scott Trumbull U/A/D 12/13/2012 for the benefit of Mr.

(4) Trumbull's spouse and children. Mr. Trumbull's spouse is the trustee of the trust. Mr. Trumbull disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, and the filing of this report is not an admission that Mr. Trumbull is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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- These deferred stock units were granted without cash consideration on January 26, 2012 under the Amended and Restated Health Care REIT, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each deferred stock unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock of Health Care REIT, Inc. at the time of vesting of the unit. These deferred stock units vest in three installments, with 553 units having vested on January 26 of each of 2013 and 2014 and 552 units having vested on January 26, 2015.
- Includes (i) 1,022 deferred stock units granted on February 7, 2013, with 511 units vesting on February 7 of each of 2015 and 2016 and (6) (ii) 1,688 deferred stock units granted on February 6, 2014, with 563 units vesting on February 6 of each of 2015 and 2016 and 562 units vesting on February 6, 2017.

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