

VENTAS INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CAFARO DEBRA A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE,
SUITE 4800

(Street)

CHICAGO,, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/30/2009

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)
Chairman, President and CEO

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 07/30/2009 | | S ⁽²⁾ (3) | | 700 D \$ 35.38 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/30/2009 | | S ⁽²⁾ (3) | | 800 D \$ 35.39 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/30/2009 | | S ⁽²⁾ (3) | | 600 D \$ 35.4 | D | 719,781 |
| Common Stock | 07/30/2009 | | S ⁽²⁾ (3) | | 2,200 D \$ 35.41 | D | 717,581 |
| Common Stock | 07/30/2009 | | S ⁽²⁾ (3) | | 1,800 D \$ 35.42 | D | 715,781 |

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|--------------|------------|----------------|-----|---|----------|-----------------------------|---|----------|
| Common Stock | 07/30/2009 | <u>S(2)(3)</u> | 700 | D | \$ 35.43 | 715,081 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 5,000 <u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u> | I | By Trust |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Date (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CAFARO DEBRA A 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 CHICAGO,, IL 60606 | X | | Chairman, President and CEO | |

Signatures

Debra A. Cafaro, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact 08/03/2009

__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) Please see the Reporting Person's previous Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction under the Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan described in Footnote (3).

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- (2) On July 30, 2009, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.
- (3) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated August 8, 2008.
- (4) Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these 5,000 shares except to the extent of the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest in the shares.
- (5) As of July 30, 2009, Reporting Person also directly and indirectly by trust owns options to purchase 691,107 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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