VENTAS INC Form 4 December 12, 2013

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CROCKER DOUGLAS II			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	VENTAS INC [VTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)				
71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400			(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2013					_X Director Officer (give ti below)		Owner r (specify	
(Street)			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
CHICAGO,, IL 60606											
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	EXECUTION AND CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF T	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (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	12/10/2013			P(1)	10,000	A	\$ 58.0101	93,377.139 (2)	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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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other CROCKER DOUGLAS II X 71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400 CHICAGO,, IL 60606

Signatures

Douglas Crocker, II, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

12/12/2013

**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 price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$57.90 to \$58.15, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Issuer, any security holder of Issuer or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote 1.
- (2) As of December 10, 2013, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 25,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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