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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RINEY T RICHARD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 10350 ORMSE PLACE, SUITI		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/21/2015	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Admin. Off., GC		
LOUISVILLE,	(Street) LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223		4. If Amendment, Date Original 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		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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	01/21/2015		A	11,598 (1)	A	\$0	132,339	D	
Common Stock	01/21/2015		F	1,400 (2)	D	\$ 78.34	130,939	D	
Common Stock							70,000	I	By Spouse
Common Stock							12,465 (3)	I	By Trust
Common Stock							1,300	I	By IRA

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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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 78.34	01/21/2015		A	66,360 (4)	01/21/2015(5)	01/21/2025	Common Stock	66,360

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	01/23/2015		
**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).
- (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 21, 2015 under the Plan.
- (3) Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these 12,465 shares except to the extent of the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest in the shares.

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- (4) Stock options granted by Issuer pursuant to the Plan.
- (5) These options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the date of the grant.
- (6) As of January 21, 2015, Reporting Person owns options to purchase an aggregate of 240,786 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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