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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addre SHELTON JAM	*	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(2			
353 N. CLARK STREET, SUITE 3300		SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2016	_X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CHICAGO, IL 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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, 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. Securitie ord Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d 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	01/01/2016		Code V A	Amount 243.665	(D)	Price \$ 56.43	20,796.85 (2)	D	
Common Stock	01/01/2016		A	2,303 (3)	A	\$0	23,099.85 (4)	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
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						Date	Expiration		Or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SHELTON JAMES D 353 N. CLARK STREET SUITE 3300 CHICAGO, IL 60654	X						

Signatures

James D. Shelton, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

01/04/2016

**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).
- Common stock in the form of units granted under the Ventas Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Deferred (1) Plan") in lieu of director fees pursuant to the director's deferral election. Such units are payable solely in common stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the director's deferral election and the Deferred Plan.
- Includes 79.493 units acquired on December 30, 2015 under the Deferred Plan as a result of dividend equivalents credited with respect to the dividend on Issuer's common stock paid on December 30, 2015.
- Restricted stock units granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2012 Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Such units are payable solely in (3) common stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the director's deferral election and the Plan. These restricted stock units vest in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (4) As of January 1, 2016, Reporting Person owns options to purchase an aggregate of 23,760 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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