LUSTIG MATTHEW J

Form 4

January 16, 2018

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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 LUSTIG MATTHEW J Issuer Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA 01/12/2018 below) (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

NEW YORK, NY 10020

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securitic Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 3, 4 (Instr. 8)		and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/12/2018		Code V	Amount 168.174	(A) or (D)	Price \$ 54.83	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 28,154.272 (2)	(Instr. 4)	

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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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LUSTIG MATTHEW J 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020	X						

Signatures

Matthew J. Lustig, By: T. Richard Riney, 01/16/2018 Attorney-In-Fact

> **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 "Plan") as a result of dividend equivalents credited with respect to the dividend on Issuer's common stock paid on January 12, **(1)** 2018. Such units are payable solely in common stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the director's deferral election and the Plan.
- **(2)** As of January 12, 2018, Reporting Person owns options to purchase an aggregate of 9,731 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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