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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Barnes Melody C

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2018

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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RICHMOND, VA 23220

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

05/15/2018

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

52.26

3,157 Α

7,824 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)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monumbay/Tear)	(Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	, ,		Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Barnes Melody C							
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Signatures

Melody C. Barnes, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact
05/15/2018

**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).

Restricted stock granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2012 Incentive Plan. This restricted stock vests in two equal annual (1) installments on the date of the Issuer's 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and the date of the Issuer's 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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