

VENTAS INC

Form 4

December 22, 2015

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GELLERT JAY M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**21650 OXNARD STREET, 22ND
FLOOR**

(Street)

WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VENTAS INC [VTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/22/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	
Common Stock	12/22/2015		M		5,940	A	\$ 26.95	106,084.065 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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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
							Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.95	12/22/2015		M	5,940	01/01/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 01/01/2016	Common Stock 5,940

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GELLERT JAY M 21650 OXNARD STREET 22ND FLOOR WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367		X		

Signatures

Jay M. Gellert, By: T. Richard Riney,
Attorney-In-Fact 12/22/2015

____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) These options were part of a previously reported grant on January 1, 2006 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person that vested in two equal annual installments beginning on January 1, 2006.
- (2) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of December 22, 2015.

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