CROCKER DOUGLAS II

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CROCKER DOUGLAS II | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--|-------------|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | VENTAS INC [VTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| 71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400 | | | (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2011 | | | | | _X_ Director Officer (give toelow) | | Owner er (specify | |
| | 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 | | | | | |
| CHICAGO,, IL 60606 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative S | ecurit | ies Acqui | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficial | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea | r) Executio any | ned n Date, if Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount | 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 | 07/01/2011 | | | A | 534.983 (1) | A | \$ 53.74 | 74,160.441 (2) (3) | 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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/ | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | int of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene |
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| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | or Number of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CROCKER DOUGLAS II

71 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 3400 X

CHICAGO,, IL 60606

Signatures

Douglas Crocker, II, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

07/06/2011

**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 Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan (the "Plan") in
- (1) 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 Plan.
- (2) Includes 207.944 Units acquired on June 30, 2011 under the Plan as a result of dividend equivalents credited with respect to the dividend on Issuer's Common Stock paid on June 30, 2011.
- (3) As of July 1, 2011, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 40,000 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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