SHERIFF W E

Form 4

Stock

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).											
(Print or Type Respon	ses)										
1. Name and Address SHERIFF W E	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Brookdale Senior Living Inc. [BKD]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (l	First) (Middle)							(Check all applicable)			
111 WESTWOO 200	(Month/Da 12/16/20	ny/Year)				Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer					
			. 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				
(City) (S	State) (Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	rivative	Secui	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Benefici	ally Owned		
	any	med 3 on Date, if T C Day/Year) (J	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price								
Common 12/16 Stock	5/2009	\$	S <u>(1)</u> 36	5,750	D	18.633 (2)	900,102 (3)	D			
Common Stock							29,000	I	By W.E. Sheriff Family Partnership		
Common							241.552	-	By Sheriff		

Financial,

LLC

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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 Exerci	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	ç
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	(ear)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)]
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					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
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					Exercisable	Date	Title	of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHERIFF W E 111 WESTWOOD PLACE SUITE 200 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Chad C. White, By Power of Attorney

12/17/2009

**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).
- Represents the sale of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations due upon the vesting and payout of restricted stock units previously granted to the reporting person. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$18.5519 to \$18.7410. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) 2,000 of these shares were previously reported as indirectly beneficially owned by Sheriff Financial, LLC. Subsequent to the date of the reporting person's last report, such shares were distributed to the reporting person.

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