

VENTAS INC  
Form 4  
November 15, 2010

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

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LEWIS RAYMOND J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE,  
SUITE 4800  
(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/11/2010

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)  
President

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 Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/11/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>	400 D \$ 54.3175	158,506	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>	1,000 D \$ 54.32	157,506	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,100 D \$ 54.33	155,406	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>	8,653 D \$ 54.335	146,753	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		S <sup>(2)</sup>	7,193 D \$ 54.34	139,560	D	

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Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	900	D	\$ 54.345	138,660	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	700	D	\$ 54.35	137,960	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	100	D	\$ 54.351	137,860	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 54.355	136,860	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	1,300	D	\$ 54.36	135,560	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	500	D	\$ 54.365	135,060	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	655	D	\$ 54.37	134,405	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	600	D	\$ 54.38	133,805	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	400	D	\$ 54.39	133,405	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	100	D	\$ 54.4	133,305	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	100	D	\$ 54.43	133,205	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	100	D	\$ 54.45	133,105	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	100	D	\$ 54.47	133,005	D
Common Stock	11/11/2010	<u>S(2)</u>	96	D	\$ 54.48	132,909	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)

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo
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(Instr. 3,  
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Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

LEWIS RAYMOND J  
111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800  
CHICAGO, IL 60606

President

## Signatures

Raymond J. Lewis, By: T. Richard Riney,  
Attorney-In-Fact

11/15/2010

\_\_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) Please see the Reporting Person's previous Form 4 filing dated the date hereof which contains additional transactions which are part of one aggregate direction.
- (2) On November 11, 2010, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.

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