

Probst Robert F
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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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Probst Robert F

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 353 N. CLARK STREET, SUITE 3300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/11/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and CFO

(Street)
 CHICAGO, IL 60654

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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	02/11/2019		A	19,256 (1) A \$ 63.75	100,064	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2019		S	10,000 (2) (3) D \$ 63.3096	90,064 (4)	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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Probst Robert F 353 N. CLARK STREET SUITE 3300 CHICAGO, IL 60654			EVP and CFO	

Signatures

Robert F. Probst, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact 02/12/2019

__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) Restricted stock units granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2012 Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Such units are payable solely in common stock and subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan. The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (2) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated December 18, 2018.
- (3) On February 12, 2019, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported in Table I. The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$63.11 to \$63.65, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Issuer, any security holder of Issuer or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (1).
- (4) As of February 12, 2019, Reporting Person owns options to purchase an aggregate of 346,140 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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