

VENTAS INC  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PASQUALE DOUGLAS M

(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)  
12/23/2011

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  
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**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/23/2011		S(1)(4)	20,064 D \$ 54.6093	218,745	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2011		S(2)(4)	38,486 D \$ 55.2561	180,259	D	
Common Stock	12/28/2011		S(3)(4)	200 D \$ 55.5	180,059	D	
Common Stock					4,326 (5)	I	By IRA

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 Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PASQUALE DOUGLAS M 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 CHICAGO,, IL 60606		X		

## Signatures

Douglas M. Pasquale, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact  
12/28/2011

\*\*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).

On December 23, 2011, 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 on Table I. The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were

(1) sold by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$54.50 to \$55.00, inclusive. Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the 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).

On December 27, 2011, the Reporting Person transmitted to the SEC a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I. The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold by the Reporting Person in multiple

(2) transactions at prices ranging from \$55.00 to \$55.55, inclusive. Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the 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 (2).

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- (3) On December 28, 2011, the Reporting Person transmitted to the SEC a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table I.
- (4) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 23, 2011.
- (5) As of December 28, 2011, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 85,660 shares of Issuer's common stock.

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