

GELLERT JAY M
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
GELLERT JAY M

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)
21650 OXNARD ST., 22ND FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/01/2010

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Street)
WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	07/01/2010		A	(1)	\$ 265.618 47.06	37,580.117	D
Common Stock	07/06/2010		A	(1)	\$ 32.545 46.09	37,946.051 (2) (3) (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)

Table with 9 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities. Includes sub-headers for Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, and Title or Number of Shares.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationship categories include Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Example entry for GELLERT JAY M with Director relationship marked 'X'.

Signatures

Jay M. Gellert, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact, 07/06/2010

**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) Common Stock in the form of Units granted under the Ventas Nonemployee Director Deferred Stock Compensation Plan...
(2) Includes 122.765 Units acquired on June 30, 2010...
(3) Includes 210.624 shares acquired on June 30, 2010...
(4) As of July 6, 2010, Reporting Person also owns options to purchase 55,000 shares...

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