

VENTAS INC  
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 \*  
Doman Timothy A

(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)  
09/02/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP-Asset Management

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.26	09/02/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	V			4,070		01/17/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/17/2017	Common Stock	4,070
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.26	09/02/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	V		4,070			01/17/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/17/2017	Common Stock	4,070
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.54	09/02/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	V			9,285		01/22/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/22/2018	Common Stock	9,285
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.54	09/02/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	V	9,285				01/22/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/22/2018	Common Stock	9,285

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Doman Timothy A 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 CHICAGO, IL 60606			SVP-Asset Management	

## Signatures

Timothy A. Doman, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact 09/04/2008

\*\*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) Transfer to Trust for the benefit of Reporting Person's daughter.
- (2) These options are part of a previously reported grant of 4,070 on January 17, 2007 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person, that become exercisable in three equal installments on January 17, 2007, January 17, 2008, and January 17, 2009.
- (3) These options are part of a previously reported grant of 9,285 on January 22, 2008 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person, that become exercisable in three equal installments on January 22, 2008, January 22, 2009, and January 22, 2010.

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(4) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of September 2, 2008.

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