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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RINEY T RICHARD			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
			11/30/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		

LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-De	erivative Se	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acc Transaction (A) or Disposed Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 1)	
Common Stock	11/30/2006		M	28,033	A	\$ 23	319,267	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006		S(1)(2)	6,900	D	\$ 38.76	312,367	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006		S(1)(2)	900	D	\$ 38.77	311,467	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006		S(1)(2)	500	D	\$ 38.79	310,967	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006		$S_{\underline{(1)(2)}}$	1,100	D	\$ 38.81	309,867	D	

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Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 38.82	309,567	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	900	D	\$ 38.84	308,667	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	800	D	\$ 38.85	307,867	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	500	D	\$ 38.87	307,367	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 38.88	307,067	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	500	D	\$ 38.89	306,567	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	3,800	D	\$ 38.9	302,767	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	1,200	D	\$ 38.91	301,567	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	1,800	D	\$ 38.92	299,767	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	600	D	\$ 38.93	299,167	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	4,900	D	\$ 38.94	294,267	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	2,233	D	\$ 38.95	292,034	D	
Common Stock	11/30/2006	S(1)(2)	800	D	\$ 38.96	291,234	D	
Common Stock						1,300	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7	7. Title and Amount o
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Ţ	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	((Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			
	Derivative				or Disposed of			
	Security				(D)			
					(Instr. 3, 4,			

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and 5)

			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23	11/30/2006	M			28,033	01/13/2004(3)	01/13/2014	Common Stock	28,033

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
RINEY T RICHARD			Exec.V.P.,					
10350 ORMSBY PARK PLACE, SUITE 300			General					
LOUISVILLE,, KY 40223			Counsel					

Signatures

T. Richard
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12/04/2006

**Signature of Peporting 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 November 30, 2006, 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.
- (2) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 3, 2006.
- These options were part of a previously reported grant of 48,033 on January 13, 2004 by the Issuer to the Reporting Person that vested in three equal installments on January 13, 2004, January 13, 2005 and January 13, 2006.
- (4) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of November 30, 2006.

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