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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THIRY KENT J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|--|------------|----------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | X Director 10% Owner | | |
| 601 HAWAII STREET | | | 05/06/2009 | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | |
| | | | | Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non- | Derivative : | Securi | ties Acquire | ed, Disposed of, o | or Beneficially | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------|----------------------|---|---|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securitie on Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 | f (D) | uired (A) or | 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | | Code V M | Amount 188,600 | (D) | Price \$ 4 | (Instr. 3 and 4) 335,857 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/06/2009 | | S | 188,600 | D | \$ 45.7189 | 147,257 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2009 | | M | 88,844 | A | \$ 4 | 236,101 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2009 | | S | 88,844 | D | \$ 47.8236 (2) | 147,257 | D | |
| | | | | | | | 22,743 | I | By Trust |

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Common Stock

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) | orDeriv Secu Acqu Disp | umber of vative rities nired (A) or osed of (D) r. 3, 4, and | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amous Numb Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 4 | 05/06/2009 | | M | | 188,600 | 10/18/2000(3) | 10/18/2009 | Common Stock | 188,6 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 4 | 05/08/2009 | | M | | 88,844 | 10/18/2000(3) | 10/18/2009 | Common Stock | 88,8 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| THIRY KENT J | | | | | | | | |
| 601 HAWAII STREET | X | | Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer | | | | | |
| FL SEGUNDO CA 90245 | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk
Attorney-in-Fact

**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).

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The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$45.60 - \$46.01. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (2) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$47.19 \$48.12. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Non-qualified stock options, pursuant to the 1997 Equity Compensation Plan, which vested 187,500 shares on each of 10/18/00, 1/23/01, 10/18/01, and 10/18/02.

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