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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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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)			
601 HAWAII STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non-	Derivative	Securi	ities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	onDisposed of (Instr. 3, 4	of (D) and 5) (A) or		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)
Common Stock	03/10/2010		Code V M	Amount 250,000	(D)	Price \$ 49.7	394,827	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		F	198,832	D	\$ 62.49	195,995	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		S	51,168	D	\$ 62.0992	144,827	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)

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 49.7	03/10/2010		M	250,000	07/01/2007(2)	07/01/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
THIRY KENT J					
601 HAWAII STREET	X		Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer		
EL 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).
- (1) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$62.00 \$62.45. 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) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vested 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 8.33% on the 20th month following the grant date, and 8.33% every 4 months thereafter.

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