

THIRY KENT J
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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 *
THIRY KENT J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
601 HAWAII STREET
(Street)
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DAVITA INC [DVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M		112,500 A \$ 4.375	337,572	D
Common Stock	12/15/2004		S		112,500 D \$ 38.9932	225,072	D
Common Stock	12/15/2004		M		125,000 A \$ 4	350,072	D
Common Stock	12/15/2004		S		125,000 D \$ 38.9932	225,072	D
Common Stock						38,569	I By Trust

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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.375	12/15/2004		M	112,500	09/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾ 09/25/2005	Common Stock 112,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 4	12/15/2004		M	125,000	10/18/2000 ⁽²⁾ 10/18/2009	Common Stock 125,000

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk
Attorney-in-Fact
12/17/2004
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 option vested according to the following schedule: 112,500 vested on 09/25/01, 112,500 on 09/25/02, 112,500 on 09/25/03, and 112,500 vested on 09/25/04.
- (2) The option vested according to the following schedule: 187,500 vested on 10/18/00, 187,500 on 01/23/01, 187,500 on 10/18/01, and 187,500 vested on 10/18/02.

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