

THIRY KENT J  
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**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 \*  
**THIRY KENT J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O DAVITA INC., 1551  
WEWATTA ST.**  
  
(Street)

**DENVER, CO 80202**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/05/2011**

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)  
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/05/2011		M		299,988	A	\$ 52.76
Common Stock	05/05/2011		F		185,333	D	\$ 85.4
Common Stock	05/05/2011		S		114,655	D	\$ 85.0934
Common Stock	05/06/2011		M		250,012	A	\$ 52.76
Common Stock	05/06/2011		F		156,159	D	\$ 84.47

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Common Stock      05/06/2011      S      93,853      D      \$ 84.2458      192,127      D      (2)

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 52.76	05/05/2011		M	299,988	03/16/2008 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/16/2012	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 52.76	05/06/2011		M	250,012	03/16/2008 03/16/2012	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THIRY KENT J C/O DAVITA INC. 1551 WEWATTA ST. DENVER, CO 80202	X		Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Kim M. Rivera      05/09/2011  
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 \$84.50 - \$85.55. 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 \$84.00 - \$84.91. 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) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 8.33% on the 20th month following the grant date, and 8.33% every four months thereafter.

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