

Brittain Willard Woodson JR
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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 *
 Brittain Willard Woodson JR

(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)
 12/03/2010

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)

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 (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/03/2010 | | S | 500 D \$ 73.87 | 2,466 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/03/2010 | | M | 12,000 A \$ 45.84 | 14,466 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/03/2010 | | F | 7,423 D \$ 74.11 | 7,043 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/03/2010 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 4,577 D \$ 73.9404 | 2,466 | 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 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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 45.84 | 12/03/2010 | | M | 12,000 | 06/15/2010 ⁽²⁾ 06/15/2014 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Brittain Willard Woodson JR C/O DAVITA INC. 1551 WEWATTA ST DENVER, CO 80202 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ James K. Hilger
Attorney-in-Fact

12/06/2010

**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 \$73.89 - \$73.98. 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 vests 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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