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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Rivera Kim M Issuer Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 601 HAWAII ST 01/08/2010 below) VP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transaction	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
(IIIsti. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/08/2010		A(1)	5,000	A	\$0	5,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Person

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amo	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onDerivative	Expiration Date		Underlying Secu	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)				
	Derivative				or Disposed of				
	Security				(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu
				Code V	(A) (D)		Date		of
Stock								Common	
Appreciation Right	\$ 61	01/08/2010		A	60,000	01/08/2011(2)	01/08/2015	Stock	6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rivera Kim M

601 HAWAII ST VP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk Attorney-in-Fact 01/12/2010

**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) Grant of restricted stock units, pursuant to Issuer's 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, that vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 11.11% on the 40th month following the grant date, and 11.11% every four months thereafter until fully-vested.
- Grant of stock-settled stock appreciation rights, pursuant to Issuer's 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, that vests 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 until fully-vested.

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