THIRY KENT J

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
601 HAWAII STREET			02/23/2006	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245				Form filed by More than One Reporting		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	5)	D) Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/23/2006		Code V M	Amount 50,000	(D)	Price \$ 16.1333	260,609	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006		S	300	D	\$ 58.95	259,906	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006		S	400	D	\$ 58.8575	259,506	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006		S	600	D	\$ 58.77	258,906	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006		S	300	D	\$ 58.76	258,606	D	

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Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	4,200	D	\$ 58.75	254,406	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	8,100	D	\$ 58.74	246,306	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,700	D	\$ 58.73	244,606	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 58.72	243,506	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	2,300	D	\$ 57.71	241,206	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 58.7	239,706	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	600	D	\$ 58.69	239,106	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	800	D	\$ 58.68	238,306	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	3,400	D	\$ 58.67	234,906	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 58.66	233,906	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	400	D	\$ 58.65	233,506	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	400	D	\$ 58.64	233,106	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	200	D	\$ 58.63	232,906	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	700	D	\$ 58.62	232,206	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	700	D	\$ 58.61	231,506	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	3,100	D	\$ 58.6	228,406	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	3,500	D	\$ 58.59	224,906	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 58.58	223,406	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	400	D	\$ 58.57	223,006	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	1,300	D	\$ 58.56	221,706	D
	02/23/2006	S	4,400	D	\$ 58.55	217,306	D

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	800	D	\$ 58.54	216,506	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	800	D	\$ 58.53	215,706	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2006	S	5,500	D	\$ 58.51	210,206	D	
Common Stock						22,743	I	By Trust

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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.1333	02/23/2006		M	5	50,000	02/13/2004(1)	02/13/2007	Common Stock	50,000		

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						

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Signatures

/s/ Gary W. Beil Attorney-in-Fact 02/24/2006

**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) Non-qualified stock options which vested 375,000 shares on 2/13/04, and 187,500 on 2/13/05 and 2/13/06.

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