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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kelly Thomas L (Last) (First) (Middle) 601 HAWAII STREET (Street) EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/14/2004	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Executive Vice President	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	37,500	D	^

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable Date	Title Amount or Number of	Derivative Security		

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		Shares	(I) (Instr. 5)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	06/07/2005 ⁽²⁾ 06/07/2009	Common Stock	187,500 \$ 31.4667 D

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kelly Thomas L 601 HAWAII STREET EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk
Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 10/19/2004

Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest according to the following schedule: 15,000 vest on June 7, 2006, 7,500 vest on June 7, 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- (2) Grant of Non-Qualified Stock Options which vest according to the following schedule: 46,875 vest on June 7, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008.

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