

MELLO JOSEPH C  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MELLO JOSEPH C

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
601 HAWAII ST.  
(Street)  
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2005

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)

Chief Operations 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	02/23/2005		M		75,000 A \$ 10.2667	176,335	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005		S		25,000 D \$ 40.9	151,335	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005		S		900 D \$ 41.03	150,435	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005		S		20,000 D \$ 41.05	130,435	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005		S		20,000 D \$ 41.1	110,435	D

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Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	100	D	\$ 41.14	110,335	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	2,200	D	\$ 41.15	108,135	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	500	D	\$ 41.23	107,635	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	5,000	D	\$ 41.25	102,635	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	100	D	\$ 41.28	102,535	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	100	D	\$ 41.29	102,435	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	300	D	\$ 41.31	102,135	D
Common Stock	02/23/2005	S	800	D	\$ 41.35	101,335	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.2667	02/23/2005		M	75,000	02/13/2002 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/13/2006	Common Stock	75,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

MELLO JOSEPH C  
601 HAWAII ST.  
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

Chief Operations Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/26/2005

\_\_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 Option which 18,750 vested on 2/13/02, 2/13/03, 2/13/04, and 2/13/05.

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