

Rijos John P
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Rijos John P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Brookdale Senior Living Inc. [BKD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 330 NORTH WABASH AVENUE, SUITE 1400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/10/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Co-President and COO

CHICAGO, IL 60611
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 08/10/2011 | | A | | 34,159 <u>(1)</u> | A | \$ 0 531,198 D |
| Common Stock | 08/10/2011 | | A | | 34,159 <u>(2)</u> | A | \$ 0 565,357 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Rijos John P 330 NORTH WABASH AVENUE SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60611 | | | Co-President and COO | |

Signatures

/s/ Chad C. White, By Power of Attorney
08/12/2011
**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 Common Stock under the Brookdale Senior Living Inc. Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan. The shares shall vest ratably in four installments on May 20, 2012, May 20, 2013, May 20, 2014 and May 20, 2015.
- (2) Grant of restricted Common Stock under the Brookdale Senior Living Inc. Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan. 75% of the shares shall vest on May 20, 2014 and 25% of the shares shall vest on May 20, 2015, in each case dependent upon the level of achievement of performance goals established for each tranche by the Compensation Committee. Any performance-based shares which do not vest in any tranche will be forfeited.

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