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Ferge Kristin A S				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)6737 W. WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 2300			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2012					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President				
				Amendment, Date Original l(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 				
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	tle of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Irity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		Code Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/16/2012			A	9,205 (1)	(D) A	\$ 0	139,537	D			
Common Stock	02/16/2012			А	9,205 (2)	A	\$ 0	148,742	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Unde Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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		
Ferge Kristin A 6737 W. WASHINGTON STREET SUITE 2300 MILWAUKEE, WI 53214			Executive Vice President			
Signatures						
/s/ Chad C. White, By Power of Attorney		02/21/2012				
**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 February 27, 2013, February 27, 2014, February 27, 2015 and February 27, 2016.

(2) Grant of restricted Common Stock under the Brookdale Senior Living Inc. Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan. 75% of the shares shall vest on February 27, 2015 and 25% of the shares shall vest on February 27, 2016, 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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