Brookdale Senior Living Inc.

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Smith Thomas Andrew			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Brookdale Senior Living Inc. [BKD]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
111 WESTWOOD PLACE, SUITE 400		E, SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2016	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specification) below) Chief Executive Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
BRENTWOOD, TN 37027			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(C	ity)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title Security (Instr. 3	y	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			Beneficially Form Owned Direct	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Comn Stock		02/26/2016		A	180,297 (1)	A	\$0	894,731	D	
Comn Stock		02/26/2016		A	180,297 (2)	A	\$ 0	1,075,028	D	
Comn Stock		02/27/2016		F	29,146 (3)	D	\$ 14.49	1,045,882	D	
Comn Stock		02/27/2016		D	48,828 (4)	D	\$0	997,054	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)

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						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				G 1 11	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith Thomas Andrew 111 WESTWOOD PLACE SUITE 400 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

X

Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Chad C. White, By Power of Attorney

03/01/2016

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Grant of time-based vesting restricted common stock under the Brookdale Senior Living Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "2014 Plan").
- Grant of performance-based vesting restricted common stock under the 2014 Plan. Vesting will be based on achievement of performance (2) goals established by the Compensation Committee. Any performance-based shares that do not vest at the conclusion of the applicable performance period will be forfeited.
- Represents share withholding to satisfy tax withholding obligations due upon the vesting of restricted stock previously granted to the reporting person.

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Reporting Owners 2

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Represents the forfeiture of a portion of the restricted shares granted to the reporting person in 2013 due to the failure to achieve performance goals established by the Compensation Committee.

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