

CareTrust REIT, Inc.  
Form 10-K/A  
March 18, 2016

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

**Form 10-K/A**  
**(Amendment No. 2)**

**(Mark One)**

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015**

**or**

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

**Commission file number 001-36181**

**CareTrust REIT, Inc.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

<b>Maryland</b> <b>(State or other jurisdiction of</b>	<b>46-3999490</b>
<b>incorporation or organization)</b>	<b>(I.R.S. Employer</b>
	<b>Identification No.)</b>
<b>905 Calle Amanecer, Suite 300, San Clemente, CA</b>	<b>92673</b>
<b>(Address of principal executive offices)</b>	<b>(Zip Code)</b>
<b>Registrant's telephone number, including area code (949) 542-3130</b>	

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

<b>Title of each class</b>	<b>Name of each exchange on which registered</b>
<b>Common Stock (par value \$0.01 per share)</b>	<b>The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC</b>
	<b>(NASDAQ Global Select Market)</b>

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§ 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)  Smaller reporting company   
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the  
Act.) Yes  No

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter: \$392.0 million.

As of February 10, 2016 there were 48,146,549 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

#### **DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement for the registrant's 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of fiscal year 2015, are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Amendment No. 2 to Form 10-K (this Amendment ) amends the Annual Report on Form 10-K of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (the Company ) for the year ended December 31, 2015, originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ) on February 11, 2016 (the Original 2015 Form 10-K ). On March 16, 2016, we filed Amendment No. 1 to the Original 2015 Form 10-K (the Prior Amendment ). We are filing this Amendment to replace the consent of Bradley Associates, P.C. previously filed as Exhibit 23.3 to the Prior Amendment.

As required by Rule 12b-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, updated certifications by the Company s Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer are filed as exhibits to this Amendment in Part IV, Item 15.

Except as set forth in this Amendment, no other changes have been made to the Original 2015 Form 10-K or the Prior Amendment. The Original 2015 Form 10-K has not been amended or updated to reflect events occurring after February 11, 2016, except as specifically set forth in the Prior Amendment and this Amendment.

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**PART IV**

**ITEM 15. Exhibits, Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules**

**(a)(1) Financial Statements**

See Index to Consolidated and Combined Financial Statements on page F-1 of this report.

**(a)(2) Financial Statement Schedules**

Schedule III: Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation

Note: All other schedules have been omitted because the required information is presented in the financial statements and the related notes or because the schedules are not applicable.

**(a)(3) Exhibits**

- 2.1 Separation and Distribution Agreement, dated as of May 23, 2014, by and between The Ensign Group, Inc. and CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 2.2 Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions, dated May 13, 2015, by and among CTR Partnership, L.P. and the entities party thereto as sellers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 10, 2015, is incorporated herein by reference).
- 2.3 First Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions, dated as of July 30, 2015, by and among CTR Partnership, L.P. and the entities party thereto as sellers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 10, 2015, is incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.1 Articles of Amendment and Restatement of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on May 13, 2014).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on May 13, 2014).
- 4.1 Indenture, dated as of May 30, 2014, among CTR Partnership, L.P. and CareTrust Capital Corp., as Issuers, the guarantors named therein, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 4.2 Form of 2021 Note (included in Exhibit 4.1 above).
- 4.3 Specimen Stock Certificate of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on April 15, 2014).
- 10.1 Form of Master Lease by and among certain subsidiaries of The Ensign Group, Inc. and certain subsidiaries of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.2 Form of Guaranty of Master Lease by The Ensign Group, Inc. in favor of certain subsidiaries of CareTrust REIT, Inc., as landlords under the Ensign Master Leases (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to CareTrust REIT, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).

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- 10.3 Master Lease, dated as of July 30, 2015, by and among CTR Partnership, L.P. and the entities party thereto as tenants (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 10, 2015).
- 10.4 Guaranty of Master Lease, dated as of July 30, 2015, by Pristine Senior Living, LLC, Christopher T. Cook, and Stephen Ryan in favor of CTR Partnership, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 10, 2015, is incorporated herein by reference).

- 10.5 Nomination Agreement, dated as of July 30, 2015, by and among CTR Partnership, L.P., Pristine Senior Living of Mansfield, LLC and Pristine Senior Living of Fremont, LLC. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 10, 2015, is incorporated herein by reference).
- 10.6 Opportunities Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and between The Ensign Group, Inc. and CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.7 Transition Services Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and between The Ensign Group, Inc. and CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.8 Tax Matters Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and between The Ensign Group, Inc. and CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.9 Employee Matters Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and between The Ensign Group, Inc. and CareTrust REIT, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.10 Contribution Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and among CTR Partnership L.P., CareTrust GP, LLC, CareTrust REIT, Inc. and The Ensign Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.11 Credit and Guaranty Agreement, dated August 5, 2015, by and among CareTrust REIT, Inc., CareTrust GP, LLC, CTR Partnership, L.P., certain of its wholly owned subsidiaries, KeyBank National Association and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 6, 2015).
- 10.12 First Amendment to Credit and Guaranty Agreement, dated February 1, 2016, by and among CareTrust REIT, Inc., CTR Partnership, L.P., the other guarantors therein and KeyBank National Association, as administrative agent, and the other lenders party thereto (which includes as Annex A thereto an amended and restatement of the Credit and Guaranty Agreement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 4, 2016).
- 10.13 Fifth Amended and Restated Loan Agreement, dated as of May 30, 2014, by and among certain subsidiaries of CareTrust REIT, Inc. as borrowers, and General Electric Capital Corporation as agent and lender (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.14 Form of Indemnification Agreement between CareTrust REIT, Inc. and its directors and officers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 5, 2014).
- 10.15 Incentive Award Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on May 13, 2014).
- 10.16 Amended and Restated Partnership Agreement of CTR Partnership, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Registration Statement on Form S-4, filed on August 28, 2014).
- +10.17 Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on February 11, 2015).
- +10.18 Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to CareTrust REIT, Inc. s Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on February 11, 2015).

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- 21.1 List of Subsidiaries of CareTrust REIT, Inc.
- 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 23.2 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- \*23.3 Consent of Bradley Associates, P.C.

31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.3	Certification of Chief Executive Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.4	Certification of Chief Financial Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
*31.5	Certification of Chief Executive Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
*31.6	Certification of Chief Financial Officer, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
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**32.3	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
99.1	Financial Statements of Pristine Senior Living, LLC as of December 31, 2015 and for October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* Furnished herewith.

Included as like-numbered exhibit to the Original 2015 Form 10-K or Prior Amendment.

+ Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**CARETRUST REIT, INC.**

By: /s/ GREGORY K. STAPLEY  
Gregory K. Stapley  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 18, 2016