Ettl Robert A. Form 4 January 03, 2013

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ettl Robert A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Sabra Health Care REIT, Inc.

[SBRA]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012

C/O SABRA HEALTH CARE REIT, INC., 18500 VON KARMAN

(Street)

AVENUE, SUITE 550

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D)

\$0

Common Stock

12/31/2012

748 (1) Α

20,910 (2)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own 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			
Ettl Robert A.							
C/O SABRA HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.	X						
18500 VON KARMAN AVENUE, SUITE 550	Λ						
IRVINE. CA 92612							

Signatures

/s/ Harold W. Andrews, Jr., as Attorney-in-Fact

01/03/2013

**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).
- Represents stock units received by the reporting person in lieu of quarterly director fees pursuant to an election under the Issuer's

 Non-Employee Directors Stock-For-Fees Program. The units are fully vested and are payable in an equivalent number of shares of the Issuer's Common Stock on or within sixty (60) days following the earlier of the reporting person's separation from service or December 31, 2017.
- (2) Includes 1,247 unvested stock units and 15,163 stock units that have vested but the payment of which has been deferred. Each stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock.

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