FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lamb Mark D			. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CareTrust REIT, Inc. [CTRE]					
(Last) 905 CALLE A (Street) SAN CLEMENTE (City)	(First) MMANECER, CA (State)	(Middle)	07/27/2018			tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Chief Investment	10% Owne Other (spe below)	er 6.	onth/Day/Year) Individual or Joir plicable Line) X Form filed b Person	oate of Original Filed out/Group Filing (Check out/Group Filing (Check
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						nt of Securities ally Owned (Instr. 4)			Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock						121,008	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ite	3. Title and Amount of Secul Underlying Derivative Secul 4)			4. Conversio or Exercise	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	(Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ William M. Wagner, attorney-in-fact 08/08/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

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- The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints WilliamM.Wagner and GregoryStapley of CareTrust REIT, Inc. (the "Company"), and ShellyWeyduk and SarahLevesque, so long as each is employed at O'Melveny & Myers LLP, outside

 (i) any Form ID to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC");

 (ii) any Statement of Beneficial Ownership of Securities on Form 3 to be filed with the SEC;

 (iv) any Notice of Proposed Sale of Securities on Form 5 to be filed with the SEC;

 (v) any Notice of Proposed Sale of Securities on Form 14 to be filed with the SEC;

 (vi) any and all agreements, certificates, receipts, or other documents in connection therewith.

 The undersigned hereby grants unto such attorney-in-fact to seek and obtain as his representative and on his behalf, information on transactions in the securities of the undersigned from any third The undersigned thereby grants unto such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary in connection with such matters and hereby ratifies and The undersigned schooledges that:

 (i) neither the Company nor such attorney-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act,"), (ii)

 (ii) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Secti The Fower of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect with respect to the undersigned until revoked by such undersigned in a signed writing delivered to such attorney-in-fact.

 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney.

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