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Tom Cox named Gannett's Vice President of Corporate Development

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Tom Cox has been named vice president of corporate development at Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI), where he will be responsible for mergers and acquisitions for the company, effective today. He is succeeding Dan Ehrman, who will retire on Nov. 30.

Cox will report to Ehrman until Ehrman retires, and thereafter he will report to Gracia Martore, president and chief operating officer at Gannett.

"Tom has an incredible background identifying strategic opportunities within the digital space and also creating new lines of business. This is an exciting time for Gannett as we continue to transform our company. Tom's deep experience in acquisitions and partnerships will be a valuable addition to the team as we identify and pursue new opportunities for growth," said Martore. "Tom will build on the great work Dan has done over the years. Dan has done a terrific job and, after 34 years with the company, he has earned his retirement. We wish Dan well."

Cox joins Gannett from Myspace, Inc., where he was senior vice president/head of business development, leading Myspace business development activities as well as managing product and engineering teams launch and optimize new revenue and distribution opportunities.

"Gannett is one of the top media companies in the country and I couldn't be more excited to be joining it at this time. With Gannett's terrific national and local portfolio and its expanding digital business, there are so many great opportunities to pursue. The company has a dynamic management team and I look forward to working with them in building the next chapter in Gannett's exciting future," said Cox.

Prior to joining Myspace, Cox was principal and co-founder of Stratique Partners, LLC, an executive level consulting firm specializing in supporting clients launch new products and businesses.

Before Stratique Partners, he led business development efforts at AOL as vice president of business development and earlier served as director of strategic transactions and corporate development as well as director of business strategy and operations.

Cox started his career at Friedman, Billings, Ramsey and holds a B.A. in Economics and Political Science from Washington & Lee University in Lexington, VA.

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