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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 3

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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Ogden	Roger				
		(Middle)			
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Gannett Co., Inc.		n Boulevard			
	(Street)				
			22234 		
(City)	(State)		(Zip)		
	iring Statement (Month /D		========		
z. Date of Event Requ	iring Statement (Month/Da	ay/rear )			
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	rity Number of Reporting				
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	cker or Trading Symbol				
	("GCI")	=======================================	=========		
	porting Person to Issuer				
[ ] Director [ X ] Officer (g	ive title below)	[ ] 10% Owner [ ] Other (sp	ecify below)		
Vice President	/Gannett Television				
	of Original (Month/Year		========		
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	y One Reporting Person	,			
	y More than One Reportin	g Person			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	Bene	nt of Securities ficially Owned tr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ership
Common Stock	115.	7184	I	By Trustee (1)	
Common Stock	165.	 959	I	By Trustee (2)	

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Reminder: Report on a so owned directly or indire		e for each clas	s of securities bene	ficially					
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			eneficially Owned	- )					
(e.g., puts, ca	alls, warrar 	its, options, c	onvertible securitie	s) 					
			3. Title and Amou	nt of Securities		5.	Owner- ship		
	2. Date Ex	kercisable	Underlying Der (Instr. 4)	ivative Security			Form of Derivative		
		oiration Date 'Day/Year)		Amount	4. Conver- sion or		Security: Direct	6.	Nature of
	Date	Expira-		or Number	Exercise Price of		(D) or Indirect		Indirect Beneficial
I. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	Exer- cisable	tion Date	Title	of Shares	Derivative Security		(I) (Instr.5)		Ownership (Instr. 5)
Stock Option	06/23/01	12/10/06	Common Stock	4,600	\$48.4375	D			
Stock Option	12/09/01	12/09/07	Common Stock	7,600	\$59.5000	D			
Stock Option	12/08/02	12/08/08	Common Stock	11,560	\$65.0000	D			
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Explanation of Responses	s:								
1) Held by the trustee Trust Company	•								
(2) Held by the trustee Northern Trust Compa		Jany's Deferred	compensation Pian,	THE					
′s/Roger Ogden			1/8/99						
**Signature of Rep			Date	e					
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