FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Van Lare Wendell J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]						(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2008							helow)		belov bor Relation	v)`
(Street) MCLEA	N VA	A :	22107 Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Lin	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
Date				. Transaction late Month/Day/Y	Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)			Benefici	es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code V	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		(Instr. 4)
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		tive ties red sed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(: (Instr. 4)	Ownersl Form: Direct (E or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/12/2008		A		8,500		12/12/2012	12/12/2012	Common Stock	8,500	\$0	8,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the underlying common stock.

Remarks:

/s/ Todd A. Mayman, Attorneyin-Fact 12/15/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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