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

## **FORM 144**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ATTENTION: Transmit for filing 3 copies of this form concurrently with either placing an order with a broker to execute sale or executing a sale directly with a market maker.

1(a) NAME OF ISSUER(Please type or print)		(b) IRS ID	ENT. NO	).	(c) S.E.C. FILE	E NO.		
Gannett Co., Inc.		16	6-04429	930	1-	-6961		
1(d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER STREET	DRESS OF ISSUER STREET CITY			ZIP CO	DDE		(e) TELEPHONE NO.	
7950 Jones Branch Drive	McLe	an	VA	2210	7		AREA CODE	NUMBER
							(703)	854-6000
2(a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD	(b) IRS II	DENT. NO.		(c) RELATION	ONSHIP TO	(d) ADDRESS S ZIP CODE	TREET (	CITY STATE
Douglas H. McCorkindale				officer &	director	c/o Gannett ( 7950 Jones B	-	McLean VA 22107

INSTRUCTION: The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. Identification Number and the S.E.C. File Number.

3(a)	(b)	SEC USE ONLY	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Title of the Class of Securities To Be Sold	Name and Address of Each Broker Through Whom the Securities are to be Offered or Each Market Maker who is Acquiring the Securities	Broker-Dealer File Number	Number of Shares or Other Units To Be Sold (See instr. 3(c))	Aggregate Market Value (See instr. 3(d))	Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding (See instr. 3(e))	Approximate Date of Sale (See instr. 3(f)) (MO. DAY YR.)	Name of Each Securities Exchange (See instr. 3(g))
Common Stock	Tony Fagella Deutsche Bank Alex Brown 280 Park Ave., 3E New York, NY 10017		150,000	\$10,825,500	268,234,922	On or after 3/26/03	NYSE

# INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. (a) Name of Issuer
  - (b) Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number (c) Issuer's SEC file number, if any (d) Issuer's address, including zip code
- (e) Issuer's telephone number, including area code
  2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
- (b) Such person's I.R.S. identification number, if such person is an
- entity

  (c) Such person's relationship to the Issuer(e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing)
  (d) Such person's address, including zip code

- 3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold

  - (b) Name and address of each broker through whom the securities are intended to be sold(c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)(d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days
  - prior to filing of this notice

    (e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report or statement published by
  - (f) Approximate date on which the securities will be sold
  - (g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold

#### TABLE I - SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

Title of the Class		you iired	Name of Person from W. Acquired Nature of Acquisition Transaction  (If gift, also give date do acquired)		uired ive date donor	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment	Nature of Payment
Common Stock	12/13/02		Stock Option Exercise	Gannett Co., Inc.		200,000	12/13/02	Cash
made in cash a thereto the natu consisted of an installments de			es were purchased and full payment the time of purchase, explain in the tage of the consideration given. If the content or other obligation, or if payments of the arrangement and state when was discharged in full or the last instance.	able or in a note onsideration ent was made in on the note or	for whose accou	years after the acquisi nt they are to be sold l lispose of securities re h full information witl	had any short position ferred to in paragraph	is, put or

### TABLE II - SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

Date of Sale

Amount of

Securities Sold

Gross Proceeds

c/o Gannet	Branch Drive	Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock	1/6/03 1/7/03 2/10/03		40,500 9,500 70.753*		041,375 3,925 113			
REMARKS:  *These shares were sold in reliance on the exemption provided in Section 4(1) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") and therefore are not includable in the determination of amount of securities permitted to be sold under Rule 144 under the Act.										
INSTRUCTIO	INSTRUCTIONS:				ATTENTION:					
not only as to the all other person to sales by all p	ne person for whose account s included in that definition	(a) of Rule 144. Information to the securities are to be sole to In addition, information shaired by paragraph (e) of Ru e person filing this notice.	d but also as to hall be given as	hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse						
	March	26, 2003			/s/ Todo	l A. Mayman, Attorney-in-Fa	ct			
	Date of	f Notice				Signature				

Title of Securities Sold

This notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be mutually signed. Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Name and Address of Seller

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CONSTITUTES AND APPOINTS

EACH OF THOMAS L. CHAPPLE, BARBARA W. WALL AND TODD A. MAYMAN, SIGNING SINGLY,

THE UNDERSIGNED'S TRUE AND LAWFUL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT TO:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Gannett Co., Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4,

5 and 144 in accordance with the Securities laws of the United States and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms and timely file such forms with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or other authority where such filing is required; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 1st day of October, 2002.