FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Saridakis Christopher D						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [ GCI ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
												X	Officer (g below)	ive title		Other (sp	· I		
(Last) (First) (Middle) GANNETT CO., INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2009									,	VP & C	hief D	igital Ofc	.	
7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE																			
(Street) MCLEAN VA			22107		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Li						
(City) (S		State)	(Zip)	-										Form filed by More than One Reporting Perso				ng Person	
			Table I - Non-I	Deriva	ative	Securitie	s Ac	quired, D	Disp	osed o	of, or Be	nefici	ally O	wned					
Date				2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Transaction Dis			ities Acquir d Of (D) (In:		and 5) Securities Beneficially Following		Forr y Owned (D)		Direct I Indirect E tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)			Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and			(1	Instr. 4)	
			Table II - Do					uired, Dis , options						ned					
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 (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		ing	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration te	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares	r of		(Instr. 4)				
Phantom Stock	(1)	02/02/2009		A		1,961.7081		(2)		(2)	Common Stock 1,961		.7081	\$5.31	1,961.7081		D		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.75	02/25/2009		A		96,000		(3)	02/	24/2017	Common Stock	96,0	000	\$0	96,00	00	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Gannett common stock.
- 2. Each share of phantom stock is payable in cash or stock, at the election of the reporting person, on various dates selected by the reporting person or as otherwise provided in the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 3. The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2010.

## Remarks:

/s/ Todd A. Mayman, Attorney-

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

02/27/2009 in-Fact

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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