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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): September 15, 2011**

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**GANNETT CO., INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or  
Organization of Registrant)

**1-6961**

(Commission File Number)

**16-0442930**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**7950 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, Virginia**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**22107-0910**

(Zip Code)

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code) (703) 854-6000**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On September 15, 2011, Gannett Co., Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that chairman and chief executive officer Craig A. Dubow will take a leave of absence to address continuing issues relating to prior medical conditions, effective immediately. Gracia C. Martore, president and chief operating officer, will serve as the Company's principal executive officer until such time as Mr. Dubow is able to return to work.

A press release announcing Mr. Dubow's leave of absence and Ms. Martore's assumption of the duties of principal executive officer during Mr. Dubow's leave of absence is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibit 99.1

Press Release dated September 15, 2011.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Gannett Co., Inc.

Date: September 16, 2011

By: /s/ Todd A. Mayman

Todd A. Mayman  
Senior Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary

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Exhibit  
No.

Description

99.1 Press release dated September 15, 2011

**GANNETT | NEWS RELEASE****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Thursday, September 15, 2011

**Gannett Chairman and CEO to take medical leave of absence**

McLean, VA – Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI) announced today that chairman and chief executive officer Craig A. Dubow will take a leave of absence to address continuing issues relating to prior medical conditions. Gracia C. Martore, president and chief operating officer, will serve as principal executive officer during his absence as she did during a prior medical leave in 2009.

Duncan M. McFarland, presiding director, said: “We wish Craig well during this difficult personal time. The Board has confidence in Gracia and our very capable management team to run the day to day operations of the Company, and we believe Gannett won’t miss a beat at this important juncture.”

“I believe Gannett is in very good hands as we continue to transform the Company and position it for a successful future,” said Dubow.

**About Gannett**

Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI) is an international media and marketing solutions company that informs and engages more than 100 million people every month through its powerful network of broadcast, digital, mobile and publishing properties. Our portfolio of trusted brands offers marketers unmatched local-to-national reach and customizable, innovative marketing solutions across any platform. Gannett is committed to connecting people – and the companies who want to reach them – with their interests and communities. For more information, visit [www.gannett.com](http://www.gannett.com).

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