# Form 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol						6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
McCorkindale Douglas H.	Gannett Co., Inc. ("GCI")						[X]     Director     [_]     10% Owner       [X]     Officer (give     [_]     Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle)			Identification of Reporting f an entity	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year				title below) below)				
Gannett Co., Inc. 7950 Jones Branch Drive		(voluntary)		October 15, 2002				<u>Chairman, President and</u> <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>				
(Street)				5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)				<ul> <li>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>[X] Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>[] Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				
McLean VA 22107				October 22, 2002								
(City) (State) (Zip)		Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	action 1 Date 1	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			l of 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
	i		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)			

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 Instructions 4(b)(v).

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#### 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 (mm/dd/yy)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	4. Transaction 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9.Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Bene- ficially Owned	10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Benefi- cial Owner- ship (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Follow- ing Reported Trans- action(s) (Instr. 4)	Follow- ing Reported Trans- action(s)		
Phantom Stock	1-for-1	9/13/02	9/18/02	A		610.783		Immed.		Common Stock	610.783	\$75.75			
Phantom Stock	1-for-1	10/15/02	10/18/02	A		602.140		Immed.		Common Stock	602.140	\$76.81	91,798.900	D	

Explanation of Responses:

By:/s/ Todd A. Mayman

Attorney-in-Fact \*\*Signature of Reporting Person December 26, 2002 Date

\*\*Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a). Note:File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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