Dickey Robert J. Form 4 December 15, 2008

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Dickey Robert J.

(First)

(Middle)

GANNETT CO., INC., 7950 JONES **BRANCH DRIVE**

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22107

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/12/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4,

and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number

of Share:

Restricted

Stock (1) 12/12/2008 Units

A 22,300 12/12/2012 12/12/2012

Common 22,300 Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dickey Robert J. GANNETT CO., INC. 7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22107

Pres./US Community Publishing

Signatures

/s/ Todd A. Mayman, Attorney-in-Fact

12/15/2008

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

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