Gannett Co., Inc. Form 4 July 01, 2015

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cody John E

(Middle)

C/O GANNETT CO., INC., 7950

JONES BRANCH DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(First)

Execution Date, if

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

MCLEAN, VA 22107

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Gannett Co., Inc. [GCI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Indirect

Estimated average

burden hours per

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

number.

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

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

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	<u>(1)</u>	06/29/2015		A	0 (1)	(2)	05/03/2019	Common Stock	(1)
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	<u>(1)</u>	06/29/2015		A	0 (1)	(2)	05/01/2020	Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	<u>(1)</u>	06/29/2015		A	0 (1)	<u>(2)</u>	05/07/2021	Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	06/29/2015		A	0 (3)	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	(3)
Phantom Stock	<u>(5)</u>	06/29/2015		A	1,000	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,000
Phantom Stock	<u>(5)</u>	06/29/2015		A	1,000	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,000
Phantom Stock	<u>(5)</u>	06/29/2015		A	2,136	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	2,136

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
·r···	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Cody John E						
C/O GANNETT CO., INC.	\mathbf{v}					
7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE	X					
MCLEAN, VA 22107						

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Signatures

/s/ Elizabeth A. Allen, Attorney-In-Fact

07/01/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

In connection with the spin-off of the Issuer from TEGNA Inc. on June 29, 2015, each outstanding TEGNA stock option award was converted into an award of options to purchase both shares of TEGNA's common stock and shares of the Issuer's common stock. The

- (1) number of shares and exercise prices of each option award will be adjusted (based in part on the volume weighted average per-share price of the Issuer's common stock during each of the first five full NYSE trading sessions commencing June 29, 2015) in a manner intended to preserve the aggregate intrinsic value of the original TEGNA stock option. Once the exercise price and number of underlying shares has been determined in respect of each grant, an amended Form 4 will be filed disclosing such information.
- (2) The option has vested as to all shares subject to the grant.
 - In connection with the spin-off, this outstanding and unvested time-vesting TEGNA restricted stock unit (RSU) award granted in 2015 was converted into an RSU award denominated in shares of the Issuer's common stock. The number of underlying shares will be adjusted (based in part on the volume weighted average per-share price of the Issuer's common stock during each of the first five full NYSE
- (3) trading sessions commencing June 29, 2015) in a manner intended to preserve the aggregate intrinsic value of the original TEGNA RSU award. Once the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock underlying this RSU award has been determined, an amended Form 4 will be filed disclosing such information. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's underlying common stock.
- (4) These RSUs vest in four equal quarterly installments beginning on August 1, 2015. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable upon the reporting person's separation from service with the Issuer.
- (5) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of the Issuer's common stock. The number of shares of phantom stock subject to the award was determined based on the number of the Issuer's shares distributed per TEGNA share in the spin-off.
- The award is fully vested. The shares of phantom stock are 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.
- The shares of phantom stock subject to this award vest in thirty-six equal monthly installments commencing June 1, 2013. The shares of phantom stock are 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.

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