Colan Thomas Form 4 March 28, 2012

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

# Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

**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 may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Colan Thomas

(Last)

(C:tr.)

(Print or Type Responses)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer Symbol

Discovery Communications, Inc.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable) [DISCA]

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(7:m)

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE 03/26/2012

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

**EVP & Chief Accounting Officer** 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

**OMB APPROVAL** 

10% Owner

\_ Other (specify

Estimated average

burden hours per

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Applicable Line)

Director

\_X\_\_ Officer (give title

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

#### SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

(City)	(State) (	Table Table	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Series A Common Stock	03/26/2012(1)		Code V M	Amount 2,098	` ′	Price \$ 32.39	· ·	D	
Series A Common Stock	03/26/2012(1)		M	1,597	A	\$ 38.76	11,513	D	
Series A Common Stock	03/26/2012(1)		S	3,695	D	\$ 48.7	7,818	D	

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 (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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.39	03/26/2012		M	2,098	03/15/2011(2)	03/15/2017	Series A Common Stock	2,098
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.76	03/26/2012		M	1,597	03/16/2012(3)	03/16/2018	Series A Common Stock	1,597

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Colan Thomas ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910			EVP & Chief Accounting Officer				
Signatures							
/s/ Bruce Campbell, by power of attorney		03/28/2012					
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					

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### **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) Pursuant to a plan entered into in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning March 15, 2011.
- (3) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning March 16, 2012.

#### **Remarks:**

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISCA, DISCB and DIS Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.