

Williams John A  
Form 4  
March 29, 2010

**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Williams John A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GANNETT CO., INC., 7950 JONES  
BRANCH DRIVE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22107

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]

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

03/29/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
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\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 03/29/2010                              |                                                             | M                                    | 24,000                                                                  | A \$ 3.75 28,509                                                                                                   | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 03/29/2010                              |                                                             | S                                    | 24,000                                                                  | D \$ 16.8114 4,509                                                                                                 | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 9,341                                                                                                              | I                                                                       | By 401(k)<br>Plan                                                 |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)    | \$ 3.75                                                            | 03/29/2010                              |                                                             | M                                    | 24,000                                                                                                       | <u>(1)</u> 02/24/2017                                          | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 24,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                      | Relationships |           |                        |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                | Other |
| Williams John A<br>GANNETT CO., INC.<br>7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE<br>MCLEAN, VA 22107 |               |           | Pres - Gannett Digital |       |

## Signatures

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

03/29/2010

\*\*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).

(1) The option vested as to 24,000 shares on February 25, 2010 and vests as to the remaining shares in three equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2011.

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