GANNETT CO INC /DE/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * EHRMAN DANIEL S JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner

GANNETT CO., INC., 7950 JONES

(Street)

02/27/2008

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

BRANCH DRIVE

VP/Planning and Development

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person

MCLEAN, VA 22107

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Underlying Securitie (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)		D)			Title	Amoui Numbe Shares
				Code '	V (A)	(D)	Date Expiration C Exercisable Date			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.75	02/27/2008		A	11,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/26/2016	Common Stock	11,0
Phantom Stock	<u>(2)</u>	02/27/2008		A	2,133.591		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,133

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EHRMAN DANIEL S JR GANNETT CO., INC. 7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22107

VP/Planning and Development

Signatures

/s/ Todd A. Mayman, Attorney-in-Fact 02/28/2008

**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 vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 27, 2009.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Gannett Common Stock.
- (3) Each share of phantom stock is 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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