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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wimmer Kurt A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

GANNETT CO., INC., 7950 JONES

12/12/2008

Other (specify

BRANCH DRIVE

(Street)

Senior VP/General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

below)

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

3. Code

(Instr. 8)

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

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

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

Following

(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.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

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

Code V

le V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title

Amount or Number

of Share:

Restricted

Stock (1) 12/12/2008 A 11,100 12/12/2012 12/12/2012 Common Stock 11,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wimmer Kurt A GANNETT CO., INC. 7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22107

Senior VP/General Counsel

Signatures

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

12/15/2008

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

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