GAVAGAN GEORGE R

Form 4

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obligations 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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GAVAGAN GEORGE R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/10/2010

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Vice President and Controller

GANNETT CO., INC., 7950 JONES **BRANCH DRIVE**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

MCLEAN, VA 22107

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/10/2010		A	9,000	12/10/2014	12/10/2014	Common Stock	9,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.69	12/10/2010		A	22,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2018	Common Stock	22,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GAVAGAN GEORGE R GANNETT CO., INC. 7950 JONES BRANCH DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22107

Vice President and Controller

Signatures

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

**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.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 10, 2011.

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