GANNETT CO INC /DE/

Form 4

January 07, 2003

FORM 4

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16. Form 4 or Form 5

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Add | | | me and Tio | | Pe | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | |
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| (Last) Gannett Co., In 7950 Jones Brai | | | | | | atement for th/Day/Year nary 6, 2003 | X 10 X O | ☑ Director | | | | | |
| McLean, VA 22 | | | | | | Amendment, of Original nth/Day/Year) | 7. (C X Pe Ro | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | | Zip) | Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, D | | | | | | | isposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8 | | 4. Securition or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 | d of (Ľ | | (A) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow- | | 6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | | | |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4) | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/03 | | S | | 10,000 | D | \$75.00 | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/03 | | S | | 15,000 | D | \$75.10 | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/03 | | S | | 14,500 | D | \$75.15 | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/03 | | S | | 1,000 | D | \$75.20 | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/07/03 | | S | | 9,500 | D | \$75.15 | | 512,116 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 874 | I | By spouse(1) | | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of | 2. Conver- | 3. | 3A. | 4. | 5. | | Date Exerc | isable | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
| Derivative | sion or | Trans- | Deemed | Trans- | Nur | nbei | and Expiration | n | Amo | unt of | Derivative | Derivative | Owner- | of Indirect |
| Security | Exercise | action | Execution | action | of | | Date | | Unde | rlying | Security | Securities | ship | Beneficial |
| | Price of | Date | Date, | Code | Der | ivati | (Medonth/Day/ | | Secui | rities | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Form | Ownership |
| (Instr. 3) | Derivative | | if any | | Sec | uriti | e¥ ear) | | (Instr | . 3 & 4) | | Owned | of Deriv- | (Instr. 4) |
| | Security | (Month/ | (Month/ | (Instr. | Acq | uire | d | | | | | Following | ative | |
| | | Day/ | Day/ | 8) | (A) | or | | | | | | Reported | Security: | |
| | | Year) | Year) | | Dis | ose | d | | | | | Transaction(s) | Direct | |
| | | | | | of (| D) | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | (D) | |
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| | | | | | 5) | | | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code V | 7 (A) | (D) | Date | Expira- | Title | Amount | | | | |
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

By: /s/ Douglas H. McCorkindale January 7, 2003
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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