

DAVIDSON PAUL  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE  
COMMISSION  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>Davidson Paul</b> (Last) (First) (Middle)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>Gannett Co., Inc. ("GCI")</b>			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Chief Executive/Newsquest Media Group</b>		
Gannett Co., Inc. 7950 Jones Branch Drive			3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year <b>January 7, 2003</b>		
(Street) <b>McLean, VA 22107</b>			5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)			7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price									
Common Stock	01/07/03		M		3,375	A	\$54.31									
Common Stock	01/07/03		S		2,200	D	\$75.04									
Common Stock	01/07/03		S		615	D	\$75.20			2,610		D				

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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**FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion or	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4. Trans-	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Number of Derivative	10. Owner-	11. Nature of Indirect
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Security (Instr. 3)	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	Action Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities		Date (Month/Day/ Year)	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)  (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			Date Exer- cisable	Expira- tion Date					Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$54.31	01/07/03		M			3,375 <sup>(1)</sup>		12/05/10	Common Stock	3,375		6,750	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The initial option for 13,500 shares vested in four equal annual installments beginning on December 5, 2001.

By: /s/ **Todd A. Mayman**  
Attorney-in-Fact

**January 8, 2003**  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

\*\*Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.  
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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