

EPPERSON STUART W  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 EPPERSON STUART W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SALEM MEDIA GROUP, INC.  
 /DE/ [SALM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3780 WILL SCARLET RD

(Street)

WINSTON SALEM, NC 27104

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/09/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman of the Board

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

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 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (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	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nu Sha
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 3.25	05/09/2018	A			100,000		05/09/2019 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/09/2027 <sup>(2)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	10

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EPPERSON STUART W 3780 WILL SCARLET RD WINSTON SALEM, NC 27104	X	X	Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

/s/Christopher J. Henderson, Attorney-in-fact for Stuart W. Epperson pursuant to a continuing Power of Attorney 05/11/2018

\_\_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 options vest annually in four (4) equal installments commencing May 9, 2019.
- (2) Each annual installment of the option expires on the fifth (5th) anniversary of the vest date. The last installment to vest will expire on May 9, 2027.

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