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## FORM 4

#### **OMB APPROVAL**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Colan Thomas

Symbol

Discovery Communications, Inc. (Check all applicable)

[DISCA]

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

below)

04/29/2009

**EVP & Chief Accounting Officer** 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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.

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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 Amo Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Secur Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Price of (Instr. 3) 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

**DAP Unit** 

(stock appreciation right)

\$ 20.33 04/29/2009

21,508 D (1)

Series A 04/15/2009(2) 04/15/2012 Common

Stock

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or Nu of S

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Colan Thomas ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

**EVP & Chief** Accounting Officer

## **Signatures**

/s/ Joseph A. LaSala, Jr., by power of attorney

05/01/2009

\*\*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).
- No amounts were payable in respect of the vested DAP units because the beginning unit value of \$20.33 exceeded the ending unit value **(1)**
- DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on April 15, 2009. On each vesting date, the DAP units are automatically **(2)** settled in cash.

### **Remarks:**

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are DISCA, DISCB and DISCK, respectiv

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