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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

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]

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

04/27/2012

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

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

(State)

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any | Code | ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) | | | , | Ownership Form: Direct | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | (A) or | | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (IIIsti. 5 and 4) | | |
| Series A Common Stock | 04/27/2012(1) | | M | 21,509 | A | \$ 20.33 | 29,327 | D | |
| Series A Common Stock | 04/27/2012 | | D | 21,509 | D | \$ 56.87 | 7,818 | D | |

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 (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--------|--|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| DAP Unit | \$ 20.33 | 04/27/2012 | | M | | 21,509 | 04/15/2009(2) | 04/15/2012 | Series A Common Stock | 21,509 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Colan Thomas EVP & Chief ONE DISCOVERY PLACE Accounting SILVER SPRING, MD 20910 Officer

Signatures

/s/ Bruce Campbell, by power of attorney 05/01/2012

**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).
 - The DAP Units in respect of these shares of stock vested and became payable on April 15, 2012. Under the terms of the DAP, however,
- (1) the amounts payable in respect of the vested units are calculated based on the average closing prices for the 10 trading days preceding and including the vesting date and the 10 trading days after the vesting date. The DAP Units are cash-settled awards.
- (2) These DAP Units vest in four annual installments beginning April 15, 2009. On vesting, the DAP Units are automatically settled in cash.

Remarks:

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

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