

Colan Thomas  
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 \*  
Colan Thomas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Discovery Communications, Inc.  
[DISAD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/01/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & Chief Accounting Officer

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 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 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 or Nu of S
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 20.33	10/01/2008	A	86,034					04/15/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/15/2012	Series A Common Stock	86

## 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  
 Date: 10/03/2008  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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).  
 Received in exchange for 72,000 DAP Units over shares of Discovery Holding Company Series A common stock at an original beginning unit value of \$24.29, in connection with the merger of DHC with a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company (the "Merger").
- (1) Under the terms of the DAP Plan, the conversion of outstanding DAP units could not be calculated until 10 trading days of the company's Series A common stock had passed.
- (2) DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning April 15, 2009. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units are automatically cashed out.

### Remarks:

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISAD, DISBD and DIS

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