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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 4

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
 See Instruction 1(b).

Shares, \$.01 par value per share

Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share

. Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle) Galloway, David, A.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol The E. W. Scripps Company (SSP)	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)  If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		
312 Walnut Street, 28th Floor	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 03/31/2003	_ 5.			
(Street)	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
Cincinnati, OH 45202	x Director o 10% Owner		X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zin)	O Officer (give title below)		O Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)	O Other (specify below)				
* If the form is filed by more than one re	porting person, <i>see</i> instruction 4(b)(v).  Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,	or Be	neficially Owned		
(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Deemed Exect  One of Executive 2. Iransaction Date 2a. Deemed Exect  Date, if any. (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) or Disposed of (D)	I (A) 5	Beneficially Owned Form: Indirect Following Reported Direct (D) or Beneficial		
(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Date, if any.	(Instr. 8) or Disposed of (D)		Beneficially Owned Form: Indirect Following Reported Direct (D) or Beneficial Transactions(s) Indirect (I) Ownershi		

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None

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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise **Deemed Execution Number of Derivative Securities** Transaction Transaction Security **Price of Derivative** Date Date, if any Code Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Security (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) v Code (A) (D) Option \$77.61 11/21/02 Α V 3/31/03 Phantom Stock \$75.74

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## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned - Continued (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Number of Derivative

Securities Beneficially Owned

Price of

Derivative

8.

Ownership Form of

**Derivative Security:** 

11.

Nature of

Indirect

10.

(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
11/21/03	11/20/12	Class A Common	2,500			D	
*	*	Class A Common	194.75*		2	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

Date Exercisable and

**Expiration Date** 

Title and Amount

of Underlying Securities

\*-Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The balance at 3/31/03 is 194.75.

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis, Attorney-in-fact for David A. Galloway	4/1/2003
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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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