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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Repo<br><u>Appleton William</u> | rting Person <sup>*</sup> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>SCRIPPS E W CO /DE</u> [ SSP ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify                    |
|--|---------------------------|--|---|
| I (Last) (Eirst) (Middle) I                            |                           | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>02/21/2012                   | X below) below)<br>SVP and General Counsel  |
| (Street)<br>CINCINNATI OH<br>(City) (State)            | 45202<br>(Zip)            | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                         | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)                  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.4. Securities Acquired (A) orTransaction<br>Code (Instr.Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and<br>5) |   |        | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |           |
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|  |  |   | Code   | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                |   | (11311.4) |
| Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share | 02/21/2012                                 |   | S <sup>(1)</sup>   |   | 10,000 | D   | \$9.25  | 56,157  | D |           |
| Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share  |  |   |  |   |        |   |   | 0   | D |           |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of Expir |     | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount<br>of Securities<br>Underlying Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3 and<br>4) |                                     | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|----------|-----|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)      | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |   |  |  |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (2)   |  |   |                              |   |          |     | 03/05/2010   | 03/05/2013         | Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units  | 232,558                             |   | 232,558 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (3)   |  |   |                              |   |          |     | 03/09/2011   | 03/09/2014         | Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units  | 30,000                              |   | 30,000 <sup>(3)</sup>  | D  |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (4)   |  |   |                              |   |          |     | 03/11/2012   | 03/11/2015         | Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units  | 31,712                              |   | 31,712 <sup>(4)</sup>  | D  |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares were sold in accordance with a stock trading plan adopted on December 13, 2011, in accordance with the guidelines specified by Rule 10b5-1.

2. This restricted stock unit award will vest in equal parts in 2012 and 2013. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into one Class A Common share of the Company.

3. This restricted stock unit award will vest in equal parts in 2012, 2013 and 2014. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into on Class A Common share of the Company.

4. This restricted stock unit award will vest in equal parts in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into on Class A Common share of the Company.

### Remarks:

/s/ William Appleton

02/21/2012

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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