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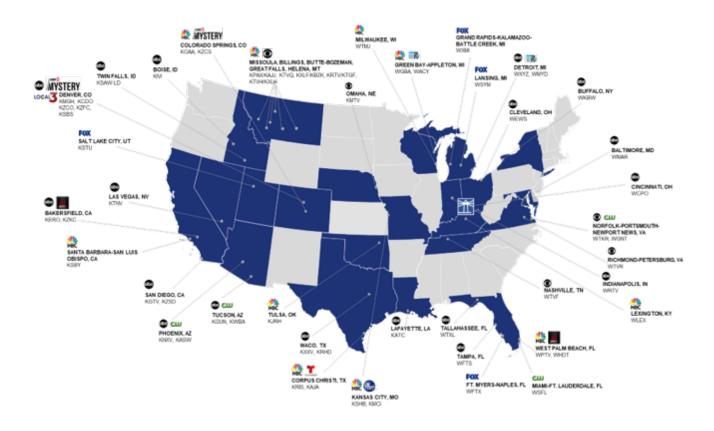
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#### SCRIPPS IS NOW ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMPANIES

#### LOCAL MEDIA DIVISION



- The division runs 61 stations in 41 markets.
- In Local Media, 42 stations have affiliate relationships with Big Four networks: 18 ABC, 11 NBC, nine CBS and four Fox stations.
- The Local Media division reaches 25% of U.S. television households.
- Scripps owns 10 duopolies (two stations in a market).
- The division has more than 4,300 employees.
- In 2021, 58% (\$1.3 billion) of total company revenue came from Local Media.



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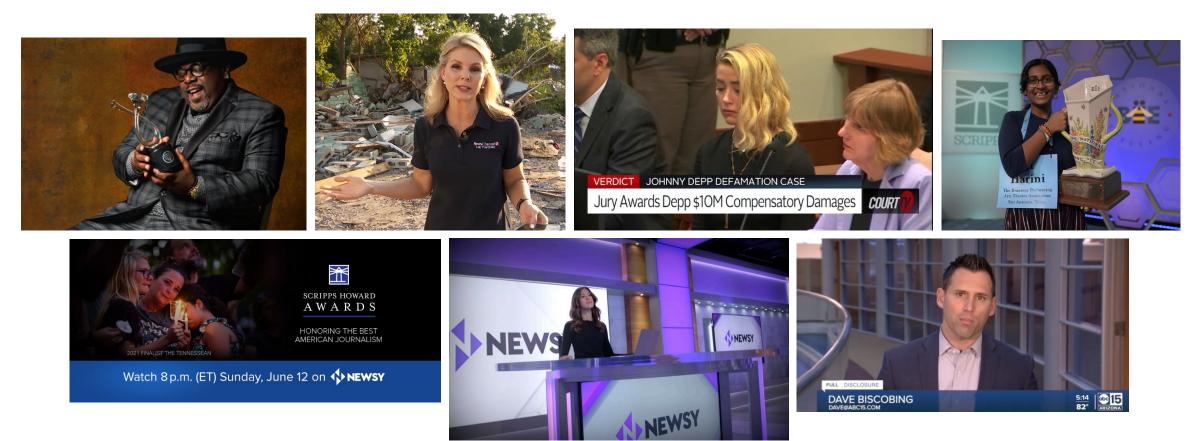
#### SCRIPPS NETWORK DIVISION



- Scripps Networks has nine linear networks, available through over the air, connected TV and pay TV.
- These networks reach nearly every U.S. TV home over the air; the majority are distributed on owned-and-operated stations, with the balance distributed through third-party affiliations.
- ION, the division's most profitable network, reaches 96% of U.S. TV households over the air.
- Revenue in 2021 was \$959 million.
- Networks programming is comprised of 90% licensed series or movies and 6% original content, excluding news.
- The division has more than 900 employees.



# OUR STRATEGY IS GUIDED BY OUR CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENGAGE AND EMPOWER THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE THROUGH JOURNALISM AND STEWARDSHIP



## WE ARE PROVING OUT OUR THESIS FOR THE RECENT TRANSFORMATION OF OUR COMPANY

#### RECENT KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Delivered \$280 million of free cash flow in 2021, significantly beating expectations
- Paid down \$683 million in outstanding debt since the ION acquisition, moving closer to pre-ION levels
- Received upgrade by the credit rating agencies Moody's and S&P
- Renewed all major affiliation agreements (ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox and CW)
- Negotiated connected TV streaming rights and distribution for most of our national brands by year end
- Produced the Scripps National Spelling Bee, Scripps Howard Awards and Trumpet Awards, using our collective assets to grow our audience
- Won national Emmy, Peabody and DuPont awards

## SCRIPPS' STRATEGIES FLOW FROM THE OPPORTUNITIES WE SEE IN THE MEDIA LANDSCAPE

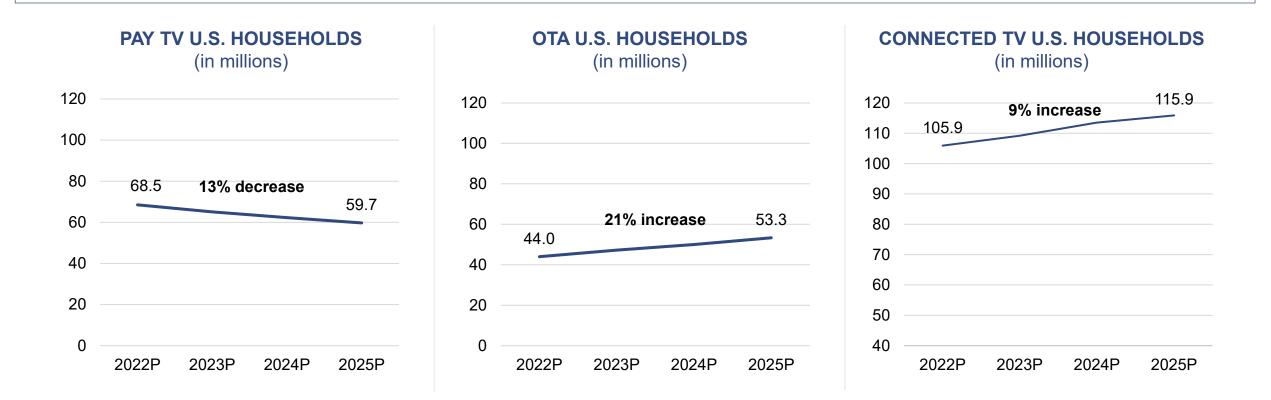


Adam Symson, Scripps President & CEO

- We own assets that represent a unique mix in today's marketplace, positioning us differently and opening the opportunity to unlock enterprise value from synergies.
- As the dominant player in the growing over-the-air marketplace (we draw more than a quarter of U.S. TV viewers), we are working to aggressively accelerate consumer adoption of over the air beyond its natural growth rate.
- We see the connected TV marketplace as an opportunity for our revenue growth.
- Spectrum is a finite asset with inherent value. As the largest holder of broadcast spectrum, we are seeking new paths to unlock incremental material value beyond today's television programming.
- As a result of our durable asset portfolio, we are financially well positioned to continue the company's evolution.



#### TELEVISION DISTRIBUTION HAS FRAGMENTED INTO THREE PRINCIPAL PLATFORMS, EACH WITH SUBTLY DIFFERENT CONSUMER PROPOSITIONS AND BUSINESS MODELS



While pay TV remains the largest revenue-generating marketplace, the number of connected TV households has outpaced pay TV and has reached near ubiquity. Over-the-air use continues steady growth.

Source: Pay TV HH: eMarketer, February 2022; OTA HH: Scripps' projections based on Nielsen and CTA historical data and S&P Global forecasts Connected TV: Scripps' forecast based on historical trends. Includes HHs that are CTV-capable via smart TV's and/or connected devices.



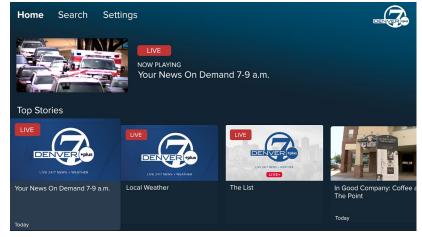
## SCRIPPS INTENDS TO CAPITALIZE ON THE GROWING CTV MARKETPLACE AS IT EXTENDS ITS LEADERSHIP IN FREE, AD-SUPPORTED TV



- Connected TV refers to any television delivered through the Internet.
  - Apps on smart TVs such as Netflix, Pluto and YouTube TV
  - Apps or services that come with your TV, such as Samsung TV Plus and Vizio Watch Free
  - Hardware devices such as Roku; and gaming consoles such as Xbox that deliver programming
- Connected TV can be free, ad-supported TV (FAST), advertising video on demand (AVOD) and subscription on demand (SVOD).



## ALL OF SCRIPPS' LOCAL NETWORK-AFFILIATED TV STATIONS AND FLORIDA 24 HAVE A PRESENCE ON CONNECTED TV PLATFORMS SUCH AS ROKU AND APPLE TV



A view of the KGMH-Denver station interface on Amazon's Fire TV



- Each market has a 24/7 news and weather streaming channel as the primary product.
  - Live newscast streams
  - On-demand newscast videos
  - Hybrid local/national newscasts and breaking news coverage
  - 24/7 dedicated weather streams
- We reach audiences through **platforms** such as Roku and **services** such as Tubi TV.
- Local Media brands served an audience of about **450,000** unique individuals about **2.8 million hours** of our programming in July.
- We're bringing connected TV advertising to local advertisers through our proprietary Scripps Octane solution.

## WE ALSO HAVE AGGRESSIVELY LAUNCHED THE SCRIPPS NETWORKS ON MAJOR CONNECTED TV SERVICES THIS YEAR



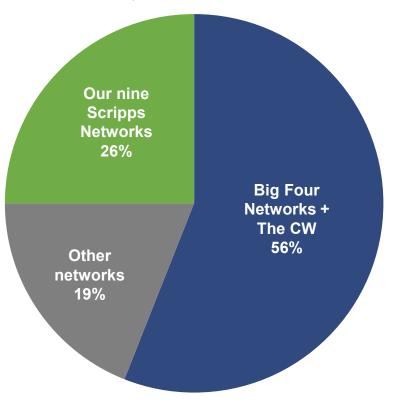




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Samsung TV Plus	LIVE						
Vizio WatchFree+	LIVE						
Roku Channel	LIVE						
Xumo	LIVE						
Tubi	LIVE						
FuboTV	Live in Sept.						
TCL	LIVE						
FreeVee	LIVE						
Amazon News	LIVE	LIVE	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### BECAUSE WE ARE LEADERS IN OVER-THE-AIR NETWORKS, SCRIPPS ALSO PLANS TO ACCELERATE GROWTH OF OTA VIEWING

#### SHARE OF NATIONAL NETWORK VIEWING WITHIN THE OTA UNIVERSE: PRIMETIME, TOTAL VIEWERS 2021

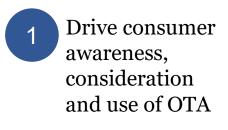


Source: Nielsen through Q3 '21. Reflects Live+3 viewing for Total Viewers 2+ within "broadcast-only households" for Mon-Sat 8-11p/Sun 7-11p. Includes nationally-telecast programming only (i.e., excludes local slots). Excludes Spanish-language networks. Not all multicast networks were measured by Nielsen in all years.

## OUR FREE TV CONSUMER MARKETING PROJECT WILL DRIVE GROWTH IN THE OVER-THE-AIR MARKETPLACE TO BENEFIT SCRIPPS

#### OUR FOUR OBJECTIVES FOR THE FREE TV PROJECT







#### 2 Improve consumers' experience









Foster constant learning and innovation focused on the television consumer and key stakeholders in the ecosystem

### WE CREATED THE FREE TV PROJECT WEBSITE AS ONE WAY TO INCREASE CONSUMER AWARENESS



**Education:** Informational resource about all things OTA

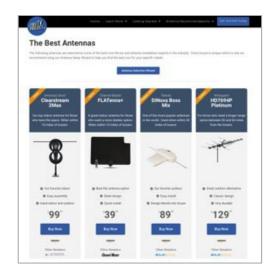


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#### **Adoption:**

Customized antenna recommendations and ability to buy





#### WE ALSO ARE BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS WITH LIKEMIND ORGANIZATIONS TO INFLUENCE THE CONSUMER EXPERIENCE

#### ANTENNA AND TV ACCESSORIES MANUFACTURERS

RETAILERS

#### ROOF-TOP ANTENNA INSTALLERS



#### SECOND-QUARTER 2022 FINANCIAL RESULTS AND DEBT POSITION

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## U.S. ELECTION SPENDING WILL LARGELY DRIVE SCRIPPS' 2022 REVENUE GROWTH

- Local Media revenue **grew by 10% in the second quarter**, driven by higher political advertising and retransmission revenues. Pay TV subscriber households were down just 1% from the prior quarter and 1.5% from the year-ago period.
- Scripps Networks revenue performed better than the national cable and broadcast networks marketplace and the division delivered a 31% segment profit margin, despite a challenging national advertising climate.
- The Scripps Networks increased connected TV viewership by 35% in Q2 and continues its aggressive expansion onto CTV platforms, with seven networks either launched or launching by October on services including YouTube TV, Roku, FreeVee, Samsung TV Plus, TLC, Tubi, Vizio Watchfree, Xumo and FuboTV.
- The company is carefully managing expenses in the face of the current economic environment, without negatively impacting its long-term commitment to its local media and national networks strategies.

# LOOKING AHEAD: THIRD-QUARTER AND FULL-YEAR 2022 GUIDANCE

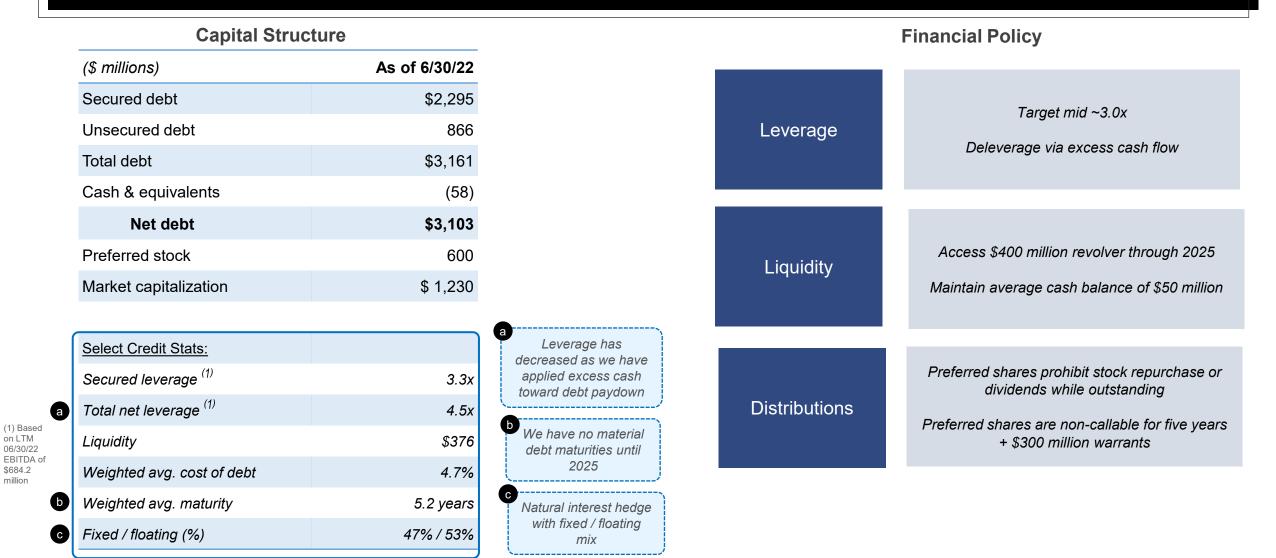
- Local Media Q3 revenue is expected to be up in the low-to-mid 20 percent range, year over year.
- **Retransmission revenue for the full year 2022** is expected to be up high single digits over 2021. About 21% of our households renewed this year and about 75% in 2023.
- Scripps Networks advertising revenue is expected to equal the levels of Q3 2021.
- The Networks group will see **expense moderation** in the fourth quarter as we cycle through the Q3 2021 cost to launch three networks over the area.
- The company reiterated its full-year Local Media **political** forecast of \$270 million, just ahead of its 2020 presidential-election-year advertising revenue. Scripps Networks forecasts an incremental \$15 million this year as it tests new technology to insert ads into its national programming stream in some ION markets.
- **Free cash flow** is expected to be about \$400 million.
- The company expects its **debt ratio** to drop to the low to mid-4x range by the end of 2022 and remains committed to debt paydown as its top capital allocation priority.

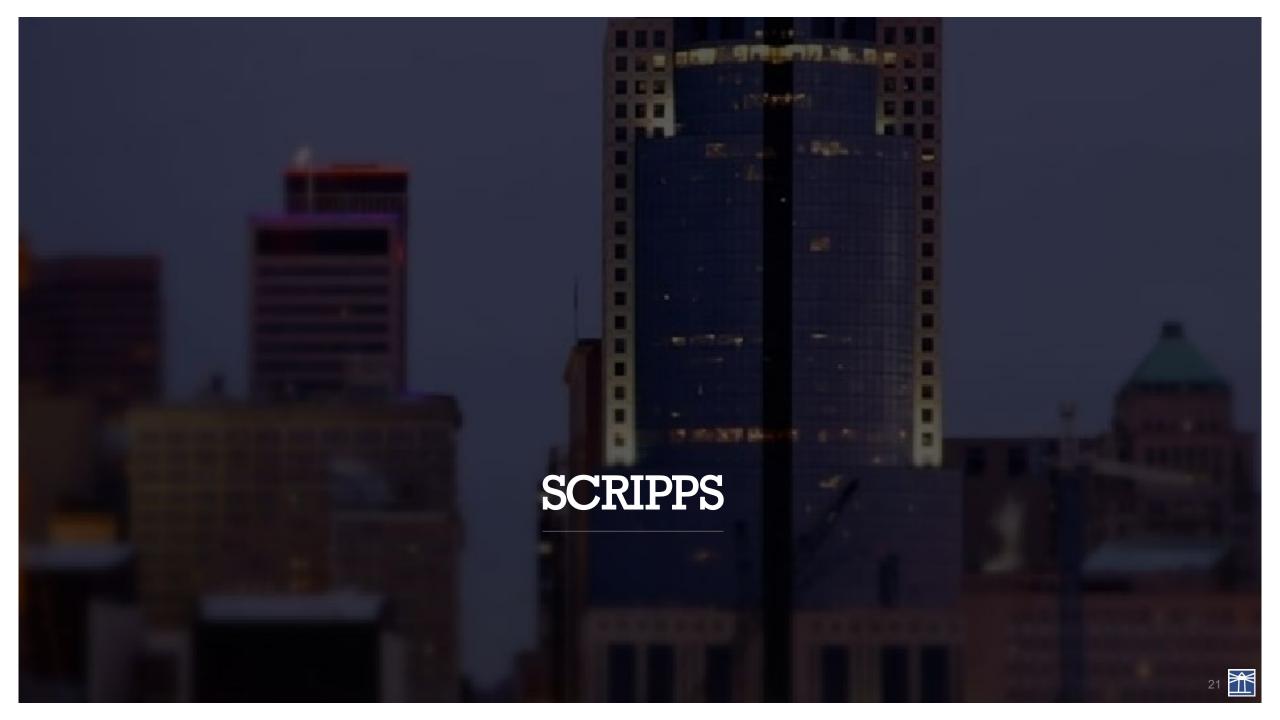
## AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF TRANSFORMATION AND VALUE CREATION, SCRIPPS IS A FULL-SCALE TV ENTERPRISE AND POWERFUL ECONOMIC ENGINE

## **Investment Highlights**

- Generating significant free cash flow through our powerful consumer brands in growing marketplaces
- Capturing the greatest value in the Local Media division from the growing ecosystem of political advertising revenue and expanding local broadcast retransmission rates
- Capitalizing on the resilient national advertising marketplace and our owned-and-operated distribution to grow revenue and expand margins in the Scripps Networks division
- Helping set the course for the future of broadcast television as the largest holder of spectrum in the U.S.
- Strengthening our balance sheet through continued de-leveraging
- Creating an opportunity for us to control our own destiny

#### CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND FINANCIAL POLICY





# APPENDIX: GAAP RECONCILIATION

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#### **NON-GAAP INFORMATION**

In addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, this earnings release discusses free cash flow, a non-GAAP performance measure that management and the company's Board of Directors uses to evaluate the performance of the business. We also believe that the non-GAAP measure provides useful information to investors by allowing them to view our business through the eyes of management and is a measure that is frequently used by industry analysts, investors and lenders as a measure of valuation for broadcast companies. Free cash flow is calculated as non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDA (as defined below), plus reimbursements received from the FCC for repack expenditures, less capital expenditures, preferred stock dividends, interest payments, income taxes paid (refunded) and contributions to defined retirement plans. Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax, plus income tax expense (benefit), interest expense, losses on extinguishment of debt, defined benefit pension plan expense (income), share-based compensation costs, depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, loss (gain) on business and asset disposals, mark-to-market losses (gains), acquisition and integration costs, restructuring charges and certain other miscellaneous items. A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to the comparable financial measure in accordance with GAAP is as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30.				Six Months Ended June 30.			
(in thousands)	2022		2021		2022		2021	
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	\$	41,740	\$	1,213	\$	64,105	\$	4,716
Provision for income taxes		14,060		12,683		27,963		32,212
Interest expense		36,011		42,010		72,510		85,892
oss (gain) on extinguishment of debt		—		13,775		(1,234)		13,775
Defined benefit pension plan income		(662)		(7)		(1,325)		(14)
Share-based compensation costs		4,557		6,403		13,883		14,701
Depreciation		15,812		14,245		31,182		28,370
Amortization of intangible assets		25,207		26,506		49,582		51,888
Losses (gains), net on disposal of property and equipment		1,577		75		4,058		155
Acquisition and related integration costs		—		6,686		1,642		35,331
Restructuring costs		—		514				7,564
Gain on sale of Triton business		—		—		—		(81,784)
Losses on stock warrant		—		31,874				99,118
Miscellaneous, net		(2,170)		2,707		(1,763)		7,558
Adjusted EBITDA		136,132		158,684		260,603		299,482
Capital expenditures		(12,368)		(22,659)		(24,955)		(30,051)
Proceeds from FCC Repack		541		8,845		1,742		14,190
Preferred stock dividends		(12,000)		(12,000)		(24,000)		(21,067)
Interest paid		(15,509)		(25,574)		(68,177)		(54,928)
Income taxes paid, net of tax indemnification reimbursements		(47,209)		(54,762)		(46,778)		(54,215)
Contributions for defined retirement plans		(253)		(6,590)		(506)		(12,555)
Free cash flow	\$	49,334	\$	45,944	\$	97,929	\$	140,856