

Appleton William  
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**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Appleton William

(Last) (First) (Middle)

312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FL.

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/15/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP and General Counsel

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

**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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share |                                      |  |                                |   | 113,251   | D  |                                   |
| Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share  |                                      |  |                                |   | 0   | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                 |                        |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable  | Expiration Date | Title                  | Amount Number Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (1)  | 03/15/2012                           |  | A                              |   | 32,573   |     | 03/15/2013  | 03/15/2016      | Restricted Stock Units | 32,573               |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 03/05/2010  | 03/05/2013      | Restricted Stock Units | 116,200              |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 03/09/2011  | 03/09/2014      | Restricted Stock Units | 20,000               |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (4)  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |     | 03/11/2012  | 03/11/2015      | Restricted Stock Units | 23,780               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Appleton William<br>312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FL.<br>CINCINNATI, OH 45202 |               |           | SVP and General Counsel |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William Appleton 03/19/2012

\*\*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).

- (1) This restricted stock unit award will vest in equal parts in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016. A portion of the award is performance based. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into one Class A Common Share of the Company.
- (2) This restricted stock unit award will vest in 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 2013 and 2014. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into one Class A Common share of the Company.
- (4) This restricted stock unit award will vest in equal parts in 2013, 2014 and 2015. Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will convert into one Class A Common share of the Company.

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