Henderson Christopher J Form 4 March 27, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Henderson Christopher J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SALEM MEDIA GROUP, INC.

/DE/ [SALM]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD 03/26/2018

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

SVP, General Counsel & Secy 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CAMARILLO, CA 93012

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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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(Month/Day/Year)

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

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date

Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amour

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(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Price of Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date Amo or Num of Sh Stock Class A **Options**

A

Reporting Owners

\$ 3.7

(right to

buy)

Relationships

03/26/2018

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Henderson Christopher J 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD CAMARILLO, CA 93012

Reporting Owner Name / Address

SVP, General Counsel & Secy

16,000

 $03/26/2019_{(1)}$ $03/26/2027_{(2)}$

Common

Stock

16,0

Signatures

/s/Christopher J. 03/27/2018 Henderson

**Signature of Reporting Date

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).
- (1) The options vest annually in four (4) equal installments commencing March 26, 2019.
- (2) Each annual installment of the option expires on the fifth (5th) anniversary of the vesting date. The last installment to vest will expire on March 26, 2027.

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