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# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

47-1939596
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

## 333 West State Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203

(Address, including zip code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

# JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC. LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

(Full title of plan)

Timothy E. Stautberg
President and Chief Executive Officer
Journal Media Group, Inc.
333 West State Street
Milwaukee, WI 53203

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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☐ Large accelerated filer
☐ Accelerated filer
☑ Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company
☐ Smaller reporting company

## **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be registered(1)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price per share (2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(2)	Amount of Registration Fee(2)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	2,000,000 shares	\$8.855	\$8.855	\$2,058

<sup>(1)</sup> Amount to be registered consists of 2,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Journal Media Group, Inc. which may be issued or sold pursuant to the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration

statement also covers an indeterminate number of shares of Common Stock that may be offered or sold as a result of any adjustments by reason of any stock dividend, stock
split, recapitalization or other similar transaction that increases the number of shares of the registrant's outstanding common stock.

(2) Estimated in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (h) of Rule 457 under the Securities Act, solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. The fee with respect to the shares registered herein is based on the average of the high and low sale prices of a share as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on May 6, 2015.

#### PART II

## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

# ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents previously filed by Journal Media Group, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation ("Journal Media Group"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are incorporated herein by reference:

- 1. Journal Media Group's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.
- 2. Journal Media Group's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 12, 2015, March 13, 2015, March 23, 2015 and April 6, 2015.
- 3. The description of Journal Media Group's common stock contained in Journal Media Group's Registration Statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-36879) filed with the SEC on March 16, 2015 pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, and contained in Journal Media Group's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-201540) originally filed with the SEC on January 16, 2015 and which became effective on February 6, 2015, under the caption "Description of Our Capital Stock and Shareholder Rights" and the other sections of such Registration Statement on Form S-4 cross-referenced under "Description of Our Capital Stock and Shareholder Rights," including any amendment or report filed thereafter for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Journal Media Group pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment indicating that all of the securities offered hereby have been sold which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing such documents. Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes hereof to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document which is also incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

#### ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The bylaws of Journal Media Group provide that the directors and officers of Journal Media Group, any trustee of any employee benefit plan of Journal Media Group and any person serving at the request of Journal Media Group as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture or trust are entitled to mandatory indemnification from Journal Media Group against certain liabilities (which may include liabilities under the Securities Act) and expenses (1) to the extent such persons are successful in the defense of a proceeding and (2) in proceedings in which the person is not successful in defense thereof, unless (in the latter case only) it is determined that such person breached or failed to perform his or her duties to Journal Media Group and such breach or failure constituted: (a) a willful failure to deal fairly with Journal Media Group or its shareholders in connection with a matter in which the person had a material conflict of interest; (b) a violation of the criminal law, unless the person had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful; (c) a transaction from which the person derived an improper personal profit; or (d) willful misconduct. The Wisconsin Business Corporation Law ("WBCL") states that it is the public policy of Wisconsin to require or permit indemnification in connection with a proceeding involving securities regulation, as described therein. to the extent required or permitted as described above. In addition, the WBCL would require mandatory indemnification of directors and officers of Journal Media Group under certain circumstances, as more fully described in Sections 180.0850 through 180.0859 of the WBCL. Additionally, under the WBCL, directors of Journal Media Group are not subject to personal liability to Journal Media Group, its shareholders or any person asserting rights on behalf thereof, for certain breaches or failures to perform any duty resulting solely from their status as directors, except in circumstances paralleling those outlined in (a) through (d) above.

Expenses for the defense of any action for which indemnification may be available are required to be advanced by Journal Media Group under certain circumstances.

The indemnification provided by the WBCL and Journal Media Group's bylaws is not exclusive of any other rights to which a director, officer or other person may be entitled. The general effect of the foregoing provisions may be to reduce the circumstances under which an officer, director or other person may be required to bear the economic burden of the foregoing liabilities and expense.

Journal Media Group maintains director and officer liability insurance against certain claims and liabilities which may be made against Journal Media Group's former, current or future directors or officers or persons serving at the request of Journal Media Group in positions with other entities as described above.

## ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED

Not Applicable.

# **ITEM 8. EXHIBITS**

See Exhibit Index following signature page.

## ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made of the securities registered hereby, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
  - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

- (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offered range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
- (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of this Registration Statement.

- (2) that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered hereby which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the provisions described in the first paragraph of Item 6 above, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# **SIGNATURES**

**The Registrant.** Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, on the 11th day of May, 2015.

# JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Timothy E. Stautberg

Timothy E. Stautberg

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Timothy E. Stautberg Timothy E. Stautberg	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer); Director	May 11, 2015
/s/ Jason R. Graham Jason R. Graham	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer)	May 11, 2015
/s/ Marty V. Ozolins Marty V. Ozolins	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 11, 2015
/s/ Steven J. Smith Steven J. Smith	Director; Chairman of the Board	May 11, 2015
/s/ Stuart Aitken Stuart Aitken	Director	May 11, 2015
/s/ Jonathan Newcomb  Jonathan Newcomb	Director	May 11, 2015
/s/ Mary Ellen Stanek	Director	May 11, 2015
Mary Ellen Stanek  /s/ Brian Ross  Brian Ross	Director	May 11, 2015
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## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

# **Exhibit Number Description of Exhibit** INSTRUMENTS DEFINING THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS, INCLUDING INDENTURES **(4)** Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Journal Media Group, Inc. [Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No. 333-201540) filed by Journal Media Group, 4 1 Inc. on January 16, 2015]. Bylaws of Journal Media Group, Inc. effective March 31, 2015 [Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 4.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Journal Media Group, Inc. on April 6, 2015]. 4.3 Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan\* 4.4 Form of Restricted Share Unit Agreement under the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan\* OPINION REGARDING LEGALITY **(5)** 5.1 Opinion of Thompson Hine LLP with respect to the legality of the securities being registered\* CONSENT OF EXPERTS AND COUNSEL **(2)** 23.1 Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP\* 23.2 Consent of Thompson Hine LLP (contained in their opinion, which is filed as Exhibit 5)\* POWERS OF ATTORNEY **(2)** 24.1 Power of attorney for each director signing the Registration Statement\*

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\*Filed herewith

# JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC. LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

#### 1. Establishment, Purpose, Duration.

- a. Journal Media Group, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "<u>Company</u>"), hereby establishes an equity compensation plan to be known as the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (hereinafter referred to as the "<u>Plan</u>"). The Plan permits the granting of Nonqualified Stock Options, Incentive Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Shares, Restricted Share Units, Performance Shares, Performance Units and Other Stock-Based Awards. The Plan is effective immediately prior to the Newspaper Merger Effective Time (as that term is defined in the Master Transaction Agreement) (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"). Definitions of capitalized terms used in the Plan are contained in Section 2 of the Plan.
- b. The purpose of the Plan is to attract and retain Directors, officers and other key employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries and to provide to such persons incentives and rewards for superior performance.
- c. No Award may be granted under the Plan after the day immediately preceding the tenth (10th) anniversary of the Effective Date, or such earlier date as the Board shall determine. The Plan will remain in effect with respect to outstanding Awards until no Awards remain outstanding.

# 2. Definitions. As used in the Plan, the following definitions shall apply.

"Affiliate" means any Person controlling or under common control with the Company or any Person of which the Company directly or indirectly has Beneficial Ownership of securities having a majority of the voting power.

"<u>Applicable Laws</u>" means the applicable requirements relating to the administration of equity-based compensation plans under U.S. state corporate laws, U.S. federal and state securities laws, the Code, any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Shares are listed or quoted and the applicable laws of any other country or jurisdiction where Awards are granted under the Plan.

"Award" means a Nonqualified Stock Option, Incentive Stock Option, Stock Appreciation Right, Restricted Shares Award, Restricted Share Unit, Performance Share, Performance Unit, Other Stock-Based Award or Dividend Equivalent granted pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

"Award Agreement" means either: (i) an agreement, in written or electronic format, entered into by the Company and a Participant setting forth the terms and provisions applicable to an Award granted under the Plan; or (ii) a statement, in written or electronic format, issued by the Company to a Participant describing the terms and provisions of such Award, which need not be signed by the Participant.

"Beneficial Ownership" and "Beneficial Owner" have the meanings given such terms in Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

"Cause" as a reason for a Participant's termination of employment or service shall have the meaning assigned such term in (i) the employment agreement, if any, between the Participant and the Company or Subsidiary, or (ii) if during the applicable severance protection period, the severance plan, or if applicable the change in control severance plan, covering the Participant and the Company or Subsidiary. If the Participant is not a party to an employment agreement or severance plan with the Company or a Subsidiary in which such term is defined, then unless otherwise defined in the applicable Award Agreement, "Cause" shall mean: (i) commission of a felony or an act or series of acts that results in material injury to the business or reputation of the Company or any Subsidiary; (ii) willful failure to perform duties of employment or service, if such failure has not been cured in all material respects within twenty (20) days after the Company or any Subsidiary, as applicable, gives notice thereof; or (iii) breach of any material term,

provision or condition of employment or service, which breach has not been cured in all material respects within twenty (20) days after the Company or any Subsidiary, as applicable, gives notice thereof.

"Change in Control" means the occurrence of any one of the following events:

- (i) Individuals who as of immediately following the Newspaper Merger Effective Time constitute the Board (the "Incumbent Directors") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board, provided that any person becoming a director after the Newspaper Merger Effective Time and whose election or nomination for election was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the Incumbent Directors then on the Board shall be an Incumbent Director; provided, however, that no individual initially elected or nominated as a director of the Company as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors ("Election Contest") or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of any Person other than the Board ("Proxy Contest"), including by reason of any agreement intended to avoid or settle any Election Contest or Proxy Contest, shall be deemed an Incumbent Director; or
- (ii) Any Person becomes a Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 30% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities eligible to vote for the election of directors (the "Company Voting Securities"); provided, however, that for purposes of this subsection (ii), the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change in Control: (A) an acquisition directly from the Company; (B) an acquisition by the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company; or (D) an acquisition pursuant to a Non-Qualifying Transaction (as defined in subsection (iii) below); or
- The consummation of a reorganization, merger, consolidation, statutory share exchange or similar form of corporate transaction involving the Company or a Subsidiary (a "Reorganization"), or the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets (a "Sale") or the acquisition of assets or stock of another entity (an "Acquisition"), unless immediately following such Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition: (A) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners, respectively, of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Company ("Company Common Stock") and outstanding Company Voting Securities immediately prior to such Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of, respectively, the then outstanding shares of common stock and the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, as the case may be, of the entity resulting from such Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition (including, without limitation, an entity which as a result of such transaction owns the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets or stock either directly or through one or more subsidiaries, the "Surviving Entity") in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition, of the outstanding Company Common Stock and the outstanding Company Voting Securities, as the case may be; (B) no Person (other than (x) the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company, (y) the Surviving Entity or its ultimate parent, or (z) any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by any of the foregoing) is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 30% or more of the total common stock or 30% or more of the total voting power of the outstanding voting securities eligible to elect directors of the Surviving Entity; and (C) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Surviving Entity were Incumbent Directors at the time of the Board's approval of the execution of the initial agreement providing for such Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition (any Reorganization, Sale or Acquisition which satisfies all of the criteria specified in (A), (B) and (C) above shall be deemed to be a "Non-Qualifying Transaction"); or
  - (iv) Approval by the shareholders of the Company of a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Committee" means the Committee, as specified in Section 4(a), appointed by the Board to administer the Plan.

"Company" has the meaning given such term in Section 1 and any successor thereto.

"Date of Grant" means the date as of which an Award is determined to be effective and designated in a resolution by the Committee and is granted pursuant to the Plan. The Date of Grant shall not be earlier than the date of the resolution and action therein by the Committee. In no event shall the Date of Grant be earlier than the Effective Date." Detrimental Activity" except as may be otherwise specified in a Participant's Award Agreement, means: (a) engaging in any activity of competition, as specified in any covenant not to compete set forth in any agreement between a Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary, including, but not limited to, the Participant's Award Agreement or any severance plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary that covers the Participant, during the period of restriction specified in the agreement or plan prohibiting the Participant from engaging in such activity; (b) engaging in any activity of solicitation, as specified in any covenant not to solicit set forth in any agreement between a Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary, including, but not limited to, the Participant's Award Agreement or any severance plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary that covers the Participant, during the period of restriction specified in the agreement or plan prohibiting the Participant from engaging in such activity; (c) the disclosure of confidential information to anyone outside the Company or a Subsidiary, or the use in other than the Company's or a Subsidiary's business in violation of any covenant not to disclose set forth in any agreement between a Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary, including, but not limited to, the Participant's Award Agreement or any severance plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary that covers the Participant, during the period of restriction specified in the agreement or plan prohibiting the Participant from engaging in such activity; (d) the violation of any development and inventions, ownership of works, or similar provision set forth in any agreement between a Participant and the Company or a Subsidiary, including, but not limited to, the Participant's Award Agreement or any severance plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary that covers the Participant; (e) Participant's commission of any act of fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement against or in connection with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or their respective businesses or operations, or (f) a conviction, guilty plea or plea of nolo contendere of Participant for any crime involving dishonesty or for any felony.

"Director" means any individual who is a member of the Board who is not an Employee.

"<u>Dividend Equivalents</u>" means the equivalent value (in cash or Shares) of dividends that would otherwise be paid on the Shares subject to an Award but that have not been issued or delivered, as described in Section 13.

"Effective Date" has the meaning given such term in Section 1(a).

"Employee" means any employee of the Company or a Subsidiary; *provided*, *however*, that for purposes of determining whether any person may be a Participant for purposes of any grant of Incentive Stock Options, the term "Employee" has the meaning given to such term in Section 3401(c) of the Code, as interpreted by the regulations thereunder and Applicable Law.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations thereunder, as such law, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time.

"Exercise Price" means the price at which a Share may be purchased by a Participant pursuant to a Stock Option.

"Fair Market Value" means, as of any date, the value of a Share determined as follows: (i) the closing sale price per Share as reported on the New York Stock Exchange, or if there are no sales on such day, on the immediately preceding trading day during which a sale occurred; and (ii) in the absence of such markets for the Shares, the Fair Market Value shall be determined by the Committee in good faith (which determination shall, to the extent applicable, be made in a manner that complies with Section 409A of the Code), and such determination shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes.

"Grant Price" means the price established at the time of grant of a Stock Appreciation Right pursuant to Section 8, used to determine whether there is any payment due upon exercise of the Stock Appreciation Right.

"Incentive Stock Option" or "ISO" means a Stock Option that is designated as an Incentive Stock Option and that is intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Code.

"Incumbent Director" means a member of the Board on the Effective Date, provided that any person becoming a Director after the Effective Date whose election or nomination for election was supported by a majority of the Directors who then comprised the Incumbent Directors shall be considered to be an Incumbent Director.

"Master Transaction Agreement" means the Master Transaction Agreement Dated as of July 30, 2014 by and among The E. W. Scripps Company, Journal Communications, Inc. and certain other parties named therein.

"Nonqualified Stock Option" means a Stock Option that is not intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the Code or otherwise does not meet such requirements.

"Other Stock-Based Award" means an equity-based or equity-related Award not otherwise described by the terms of the Plan, granted in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Section 12.

"Participant" means any eligible individual as set forth in Section 5 who holds one or more outstanding Awards.

"<u>Performance-Based Exception</u>" means the performance-based exception from the tax deductibility limitations of Section 162(m) of the Code.

"Performance Objectives" means the measurable performance objective or objectives established by the Committee pursuant to the Plan. Any Performance Objectives may relate to the performance of the Company or one or more of its Subsidiaries, divisions, departments, units, functions, partnerships, joint ventures or minority investments, product lines or products, or the performance of the individual Participant. The Performance Objectives may be made relative to the performance of a group of comparable companies, or published or special index that the Committee, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate, or the Company may select Performance Objectives as compared to various stock market indices. Performance Objectives may be stated as a combination of the listed factors.

"Performance Period" means the period during which a Performance Objective must be met.

"Performance Share" means a bookkeeping entry that records the equivalent of one Share awarded pursuant to Section 11.

"Performance Unit" means a bookkeeping entry that records a unit awarded pursuant to Section 11.

"<u>Period of Restriction</u>" means the period during which an Award is subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture (based on the passage of time, the achievement of Performance Objectives, or upon the occurrence of other events as determined by the Committee, at its discretion).

"Person" means any individual, entity or group, within the meaning of Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act and as used in Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act.

"Plan" means this Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

"Restricted Shares" means Shares granted or sold pursuant to Section 9 as to which neither the substantial risk of forfeiture nor the prohibition on transfers referred to in such Section 9 has expired.

"Restricted Share Units" means a grant of the right to receive Shares or cash at the end of a specified Period of Restriction made pursuant to Section 10.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Share" means a share of common stock of the Company, \$0.01 par value per share, or any security into which such Share may be changed by reason of any transaction or event of the type referred to in Section 17.

"Stock Appreciation Right" or "SAR" means a right granted pursuant to Section 8.

"Stock Option" means a right to purchase a Share granted to a Participant under the Plan in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in Section 7. Stock Options may be either Incentive Stock Options or Nonqualified Stock Options.

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, company or other entity (i) more than fifty percent (50%) of whose outstanding shares or securities (representing the right to vote for the election of directors or other managing authority) are now or hereafter, owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Company, or (ii) which does not have outstanding shares or securities (as may be the case in a partnership, limited liability company, joint venture or unincorporated association), but more than fifty percent (50%) of whose ownership interest representing the right generally to make decisions for such other entity is now or hereafter, owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Company; *provided*, *however*, that for purposes of determining whether any person may be a Participant for purposes of any grant of Incentive Stock Options, the term "Subsidiary" has the meaning given to such term in Section 424(f) of the Code, as interpreted by the regulations thereunder and Applicable Law.

"Substitute Awards" means Awards that are granted in assumption of, or in substitution or exchange for, outstanding awards previously granted by an entity acquired directly or indirectly by the Company or with which the Company directly or indirectly combines.

"<u>Ten Percent Shareholder</u>" shall mean any Participant who owns more than 10% of the combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.

## 3. Shares Available Under the Plan.

- a. The maximum number of Shares that may be issued or delivered pursuant to Awards under the Plan shall be 2,000,000 Shares, all of which may be delivered pursuant to Incentive Stock Options. The aggregate number of Shares available for issuance or delivery under the Plan shall be subject to adjustment as provided in Section 17. Shares issued or delivered pursuant to an Award may be authorized but unissued Shares, treasury Shares, including Shares purchased in the open market, or a combination of the foregoing.
- b. If any Award granted pursuant to the Plan terminates or is forfeited without having been exercised in full, or if any Award granted pursuant to the Plan is settled (or can be paid only) in cash, then the underlying Shares, to the extent of any such forfeiture, termination or cash settlement, again shall be available for grant under the Plan and credited toward the Plan limit as set forth in Section 3(a). Except as may be required by reason of Section 422 and related provisions of the Code, Shares issued or delivered under the Plan as a Substitute Award or in settlement of a Substitute Award shall not reduce or be counted against the Shares available for Awards under the Plan and will not count against the Plan limit as set forth in Section 3(a) to the extent that the rules and regulations of any stock exchange or other trading market on which the Shares are listed or traded provide an exemption from shareholder approval for assumption, substitution, conversion, adjustment, or replacement of outstanding awards in connection with mergers, acquisitions, or other corporate combinations.
- c. Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the following Shares shall not again be available for grant as described above: (i) Shares tendered in payment of the Exercise Price of a Stock Option, (ii) Shares withheld by the Company or any Subsidiary to satisfy a tax withholding obligation, and (iii) Shares that are repurchased by the Company with Stock Option proceeds. Moreover, all Shares covered by a SAR, to the extent that it is exercised and settled in Shares, and whether or not Shares are actually issued or delivered to the Participant upon exercise of the right, shall be considered issued or delivered pursuant to the Plan for purposes of Section 3(a).

- d. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 17 of the Plan, the following limits shall apply with respect to Awards that are intended to qualify for the Performance-Based Exception:
- i. The maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be subject to Stock Options or SARs granted in any calendar year to any one Participant shall be 300,000 Shares.
- ii. The maximum aggregate number of Restricted Shares and Shares issuable or deliverable under Performance Shares, Restricted Share Units and Other Stock-Based Awards granted in any calendar year to any one Participant shall be 200,000 Shares.
- iii. The maximum aggregate compensation that can be paid pursuant to Performance Units or cash-based Awards under Section 12 granted in any calendar year to any one Participant shall be \$1,000,000 or a number of Shares having an aggregate Fair Market Value not in excess of such amount.
- iv. The maximum Dividend Equivalents that may be paid in any calendar year to any one Participant shall be \$300,000.
- e. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 17 of the Plan, the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be associated with any Awards made under the Plan in any calendar year to anyone Outside Director shall be 20,000 Shares.

#### 4. Administration of the Plan.

- a. The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board or such other committee (the "Committee") as the Board shall select consisting of two or more members of the Board each of whom is a "non-employee director" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 (or any successor rule) of the Exchange Act, an "outside director" under regulations promulgated under Section 162(m) of the Code, and an "independent director" under the New York Stock Exchange rules. The members of the Committee shall be appointed from time to time by, and shall serve at the discretion of, the Board.
- b. Subject to Applicable Laws and the provisions of the Plan (including any other powers given to the Committee hereunder), and except as otherwise provided by the Board, the Committee shall have full and final authority in its discretion to take all actions determined by the Committee to be necessary in the administration of the Plan, including, without limitation, discretion to: select Award recipients; determine the sizes and types of Awards; determine the terms and conditions of Awards in a manner consistent with the Plan; grant waivers of terms, conditions, restrictions and limitations applicable to any Award, or accelerate the vesting or exercisability of any Award, in a manner consistent with the Plan; construe and interpret the Plan and any Award Agreement or other agreement or instrument entered into under the Plan; establish, amend, or waive rules and regulations for the Plan's administration; and take such other action, not inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, as the Committee deems appropriate.
- c. The Board may reserve to itself any or all of the authority and responsibility of the Committee under the Plan or may act as administrator of the Plan for any and all purposes. To the extent the Board has reserved any authority and responsibility or during any time that the Board is acting as administrator of the Plan, it shall have all the powers of the Committee hereunder, and any reference herein to the Committee (other than in this Section 4(c)) shall include the Board. To the extent any action of the Board under the Plan conflicts with actions taken by the Committee, the actions of the Board shall control.
- d. To the extent permitted by Applicable Laws, the Committee may, in its discretion, delegate to one or more Directors or Employees any of the Committee's authority under the Plan. The acts of any such delegates shall be treated hereunder as acts of the Committee with respect to any matters so delegated.
- e. The Committee shall have no obligation to treat Participants or eligible Participants uniformly, and the Committee may make determinations under the Plan selectively among Participants who receive,

or Employees or Directors who are eligible to receive, Awards (whether or not such Participants or eligible Employees or Directors are similarly situated). All determinations and decisions made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Plan and all related orders and resolutions of the Committee shall be final, conclusive and binding on all persons, including the Company, its Subsidiaries, its shareholders, Directors, Employees, and their estates and beneficiaries.

## 5. Eligibility and Participation.

- a. Each Employee and Director is eligible to participate in the Plan.
- b. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee may, from time to time, select from all eligible Employees and Directors those to whom Awards shall be granted and shall determine, in its sole discretion, the nature of any and all terms permissible by Applicable Law and the amount of each Award.
- c. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 5, Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to eligible Participants who are Employees of the Company (or a "parent" or "subsidiary" as defined in Section 424(e) and (f) of the Code). Eligible Participants who are Employees of a Subsidiary may be granted Stock Options or Stock Appreciation Rights under the Plan only if the Subsidiary qualifies as an "eligible issuer of service recipient stock" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code.
- 6. Minimum Vesting Periods for Awards to Employees. Subject to Sections 20, 21 and 23(b) of the Plan, or as otherwise provided in the applicable Award Agreement in connection with a Change in Control or the Employee's death, disability or termination of employment, each Award granted to an Employee shall be subject to the following restrictions: (a) the Period of Restriction applicable to any Award that vests based upon the achievement of Performance Objectives shall be no shorter than one (1) year, and (b) the Period of Restriction applicable to any Award that vests based solely upon continued employment shall be no shorter than three (3) years (which Period of Restriction may lapse on a pro-rated, graded, or cliff basis as specified in the applicable Award Agreement).
- 7. Stock Options. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant Stock Options to Participants in such number as the Committee shall determine. Each Stock Option grant shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and shall be subject to the following provisions:
- a. The Award Agreement shall separately designate whether the Stock Options are intended to be Incentive Stock Options or Nonqualified Stock Options. Any Incentive Stock Option granted under the Plan shall contain such terms and conditions, consistent with the Plan, as the Committee may determine to be necessary to comply with Section 422 of the Code.
- b. The Award Agreement shall specify an Exercise Price for each grant of a Stock Option, which shall be at least equal to the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Date of Grant. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten Percent Shareholder, the Exercise Price for each grant of a Stock Option shall be at least equal to one hundred ten percent (110%) of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Date of Grant.
- c. The Award Agreement shall specify the expiration date for each Stock Option; *provided*, *however*, that no Stock Option shall be exercisable later than the tenth (10th) anniversary of its Date of Grant. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Ten Percent Shareholder, the Incentive Stock Option shall not be exercisable later than the fifth (5th) anniversary of its Date of Grant.
- d. The Award Agreement shall specify the period or periods of continuous service by the Participant with the Company or any Subsidiary that is necessary, the Performance Objectives that must be achieved, or any other conditions that must be satisfied, before the Stock Option or installments thereof will become exercisable.

- e. The Award Agreement shall specify whether the Exercise Price shall be payable to the Company: (i) in cash or its equivalent; (ii) subject to such terms, conditions and limitations as the Committee may prescribe, by tendering (either by actual delivery or attestation) unencumbered Shares previously acquired by the Participant exercising such Stock Option having an aggregate Fair Market Value at the time of exercise equal to the total Exercise Price; (iii) by a cashless exercise (including by withholding Shares deliverable upon exercise and through a broker-assisted arrangement to the extent permitted by Applicable Laws); (iv) by any other method approved or accepted by the Committee in its sole discretion; or (v) by a combination of the foregoing methods. The Committee may limit any method of payment for administrative convenience, to comply with Applicable Laws, or otherwise.
- f. The Award Agreement shall set forth the extent to which the Participant shall have the right to exercise the Stock Option following termination of the Participant's employment or provision of services to the Company and/or its Subsidiaries, as the case may be.
- g. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 7 to the contrary, Stock Options designated as ISOs shall not be eligible for treatment under the Code as ISOs, and shall instead be treated as Nonqualified Stock Options, to the extent that either (i) the aggregate Fair Market Value of Shares (determined as of the Date of Grant) with respect to which such Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by the Participant during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company and any Subsidiary) exceeds \$100,000, taking Stock Options into account in the order in which they were granted; or (ii) such Stock Options otherwise remain exercisable but are not exercised within three (3) months after termination of employment (or such other period of time provided in Section 422 of the Code).
- **8. Stock Appreciation Rights.** Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant SARs to Participants in such number as the Committee shall determine. Each SAR grant shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and shall be subject to the following provisions:
- a. The Award Agreement shall specify a Grant Price per Share for each grant of a SAR, which shall be at least equal to the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Date of Grant.
- b. The Award Agreement shall set forth the expiration date for each SAR; *provided*, *however*, that no SAR shall be exercisable later than the tenth (10th) anniversary of its Date of Grant.
- c. The Award Agreement for a SAR shall specify the period or periods of continuous service by the Participant with the Company or any Subsidiary that is necessary, the Performance Objectives that must be achieved, or any other conditions that must be satisfied, before the SAR or installments thereof will become exercisable.
- d. Upon the exercise of a SAR, a Participant shall be entitled to receive payment from the Company in an amount determined by multiplying: (i) the excess of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the date of exercise over the Grant Price, by (ii) the number of Shares with respect to which the SAR is exercised. The payment upon the SAR exercise shall be in cash, Shares of equivalent value, or in some combination thereof, as provided in the applicable Award Agreement.
- e. The Award Agreement shall set forth the extent to which the Participant shall have the right to exercise the SAR following termination of the Participant's employment with or provision of services to the Company and/or its Subsidiaries, as the case may be.

- **9. Restricted Shares.** Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant or sell Restricted Shares to Participants in such number as the Committee shall determine. Each grant or sale of Restricted Shares shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and shall be subject to the following provisions:
- a. Each grant or sale of Restricted Shares shall constitute an immediate transfer of the ownership of Shares to the Participant in consideration of the performance of services, subject to the substantial risk of forfeiture and restrictions on transfer as provided in this Section 9.
- b. Each such grant or sale may be made without additional consideration or in consideration of a payment by such Participant that may be less than the Fair Market Value per Share at the Date of Grant.
  - c. The Award Agreement shall specify the Period of Restriction for each Restricted Shares Award.
- d. During the applicable Period of Restriction, the transferability of the Restricted Shares shall be prohibited or restricted in the manner and to the extent prescribed by the Committee and set forth in the Award Agreement (which restrictions may include, without limitation, rights of repurchase or first refusal in the Company or provisions subjecting the Restricted Shares to a continuing substantial risk of forfeiture in the hands of any transferee).
- e. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee in its sole discretion and set forth in the Award Agreement, to the extent permitted or required by Applicable Laws, as determined by the Committee, Participants holding Restricted Shares shall be entitled to exercise full voting rights with respect to those Shares during the Period of Restriction.
- f. Any such grant or sale of Restricted Shares may require that any or all dividends or other distributions paid thereon during the period of such restrictions be automatically deferred and reinvested in additional Restricted Shares, which may be subject to the same restrictions as the underlying Award. Except as provided by the Committee in connection with a Change in Control or the termination of a Participant's employment or service with the Company or a Subsidiary, any dividends with respect to any Restricted Shares that vest based on the achievement of Performance Objectives shall be accumulated and deemed reinvested in Restricted Shares until such Award is earned, and such Dividend Equivalents shall not be paid if the Performance Objectives are not satisfied
- g. Unless otherwise directed by the Committee, (i) any certificates representing Restricted Shares will be held in custody by the Company until all restrictions thereon have lapsed, together with a stock power or powers executed by the Participant in whose name such certificates are registered, endorsed in blank and covering such Shares, and (ii) all uncertificated Restricted Shares will be in book entry form with appropriate restrictions entered into the records of the Company's transfer agent relating to the transfer of such Restricted Shares, and any required notice shall be provided.
- h. The Committee may provide in an Award Agreement that the Award of Restricted Shares is conditioned upon the Participant making or refraining from making an election with respect to the Award under Section 83(b) of the Code. If a Participant makes an election pursuant to Section 83(b) of the Code concerning a Restricted Shares Award, the Participant shall be required to timely file a copy of such election with the Company.
- 10. Restricted Share Units. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant or sell Restricted Share Units to Participants in such number as the Committee shall determine. Each grant or sale of Restricted Share Units shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and shall be subject to the following provisions:
- a. Each such grant or sale of Restricted Share Units shall constitute the agreement by the Company to issue or deliver Shares to the Participant following the end of the Period of Restriction (and the satisfaction of such other terms and conditions as specified in the applicable Award Agreement) in consideration of the performance of services.

- b. Each such grant or sale of Restricted Share Units may be made without additional consideration or in consideration of a payment by such Participant that may be less than the Fair Market Value per Share at the Date of Grant.
  - c. The Award Agreement shall specify the Period of Restriction for each Restricted Share Unit grant.
- d. Each Award Agreement shall set forth the payment date for the Restricted Share Units, which date shall not be earlier than the end of the applicable Period of Restriction.
- e. The Award Agreement shall specify whether the Company shall pay earned Restricted Share Units by issuance or delivery of Shares or by payment in cash of an amount equal to the Fair Market Value of such Shares (or a combination thereof).
- 11. Performance Shares and Performance Units. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant Performance Shares or Performance Units to Participants in such number as the Committee shall determine. Each grant of Performance Shares or Performance Units shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and shall be subject to the following provisions:
- a. Each Performance Unit shall have an initial dollar value determined by the Committee. Each Performance Share shall have an initial value equal to the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Date of Grant. The Committee shall set Performance Objectives in its sole discretion which, depending on the extent to which they are met, will determine the value and/or number of Performance Units or Performance Shares that will be paid to the Participant.
- b. The Award Agreement shall specify the Performance Period and any Period of Restriction for each grant of Performance Shares and Performance Units.
- c. Subject to the terms of the Plan, after the applicable Performance Period and any applicable Period of Restriction has ended, the holder of Performance Units or Performance Shares shall be entitled to receive payment of Performance Units or Performance Shares earned by the Participant over the Performance Period, based on the extent to which the corresponding Performance Objectives have been achieved.
- d. Each Award Agreement shall set forth the date for settlement of the Performance Shares and Performance Units, which date shall not be earlier than the end of the Performance Period and following the Committee's determination of the achievement of applicable Performance Objectives and related goals established by the Committee.
- e. The Award Agreement shall specify whether the earned Performance Shares and earned Performance Units shall be paid by the Company by issuance or delivery of Shares, Restricted Shares or Restricted Share Units or by payment in cash of an amount equal to the Fair Market Value of such Shares (or a combination thereof).

## 12. Other Stock-Based Awards.

a. Subject to the terms and provisions of the Plan, the Committee, at any time and from time to time, may grant or sell Other Stock-Based Awards that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on, or related to, Shares or factors that may influence the value of Shares, including, without limitation, convertible or exchangeable debt securities, other rights convertible or exchangeable into Shares, purchase rights for Shares, awards with value and payment contingent upon performance of the Company or business units thereof or any other factors designated by the Committee, and awards valued by reference to the book value of Shares or the value of securities of, or the performance of specified Subsidiaries or affiliates or other business units of, the Company. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such awards, including the Period of Restriction, if applicable. Shares issued or delivered pursuant to an award in the nature of a purchase right granted

under this Section 12 shall be purchased for such consideration, paid for at such times, by such methods, and in such forms, including, without limitation, cash, Shares, other awards, notes or other property, as the Committee shall determine.

- b. Cash awards, as an element of or supplement to any other Award granted under the Plan, may also be granted pursuant to this Section 12.
- c. The Committee is authorized to grant Shares to Directors purely as a "bonus" and not subject to any restrictions or conditions, or to grant Shares or other Awards in lieu of obligations of the Company or a Subsidiary to pay cash or deliver other property under the Plan or under other plans or compensatory arrangements, subject to such terms as shall be determined by the Committee.
- Participants with the right to receive Dividend Equivalents, which may be paid currently or credited to an account for the Participants, and may be settled in cash and/or Shares, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, subject in each case to such terms and conditions as the Committee shall establish. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) no Dividend Equivalents shall be granted with respect to Shares underlying a Stock Option or SAR; and (b) except as provided by the Committee in connection with a Change in Control or the termination of a Participant's employment or service with the Company or a Subsidiary, any Dividend Equivalents with respect to any Award that vest based on the achievement of Performance Objectives shall be accumulated until such Award is earned, and such Dividend Equivalents shall not be paid if the Performance Objectives are not satisfied.
- 14. Compliance with Section 409A. Awards granted under the Plan shall be designed and administered in such a manner that they are either exempt from the application of, or comply with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code. To the extent that the Committee determines that any award granted under the Plan is subject to Section 409A of the Code, the Award Agreement shall incorporate the terms and conditions necessary to avoid the imposition of an additional tax under Section 409A of the Code upon a Participant. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or any Award Agreement (unless the Award Agreement provides otherwise with specific reference to this Section): (i) an Award shall not be granted, deferred, accelerated, extended, paid out, settled, substituted or modified under the Plan in a manner that would result in the imposition of an additional tax under Section 409A of the Code upon a Participant; and (ii) if an Award is subject to Section 409A of the Code, and if the Participant holding the award is a "specified employee" (as defined in Section 409A of the Code, with such classification to be determined in accordance with the methodology established by the Company), to the extent required to comply with Section 409A of the Code, no distribution or payment of any amount shall be made before a date that is six (6) months following the date of such Participant's "separation from service" (as defined in Section 409A of the Code) or, if earlier, the date of the Participant's death. Although the Company intends to administer the Plan so that Awards will be exempt from, or will comply with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, the Company does not warrant that any Award under the Plan will qualify for favorable tax treatment under Section 409A of the Code or any other provision of federal, state, local, or non-United States law. The Company shall not be liable to any Participant for any tax, interest, or penalties the Participant might owe as a result of the grant, holding, vesting, exercise, or payment of any Award under the Plan.

# 15. Compliance with Section 162(m).

a. The Committee may specify that the granting, vesting or payment of an Award will be conditioned upon the degree of attainment of one or more Performance Objectives. If the Award is intended to qualify for the Performance-Based Exception, then the Performance Objectives shall be based on specified levels of or growth in one or more of the following criteria: revenue; sales; profit (net profit, gross profit, operating profit, segment profit, economic profit, profit margins or other corporate profit measures); earnings (EBIT, EBITDA, earnings per share, or other corporate earnings measures); net income (before or after taxes, operating income or other income measures); cash (cash flow, cash generation or other cash measures); stock price or performance; total shareholder return (stock price appreciation plus reinvested dividends divided by beginning share price); economic value added; return measures (including, but not limited to, return on assets, capital, equity, investments or sales, and cash flow return on assets, capital, equity, or sales); operating margins; dividend payments; market share; improvements in capital structure; expenses (operating expenses, expense management, expense ratio, expense efficiency ratios or other expense

measures); business expansion or consolidation (acquisitions and divestitures); internal rate of return or increase in net present value; working capital targets relating to inventory and/or accounts receivable; productivity measures; cost reduction measures; strategic plan development and implementation; operating measures (such as growth in circulation, growth in subscribers and market share); internal measures such as achieving a diverse workforce; growth in digital products or competencies; and new product development.

- b. The Performance Period for any Award that is intended to qualify for the Performance-Based Exception shall be specified in the Award Agreement. The Performance Objectives shall be established not later than 90 days after the beginning of the Performance Period or, if earlier, by the date which is no later than the date that 25% of the applicable Performance Period has elapsed.
- c. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, payment or vesting of any Award that is intended to qualify for the Performance-Based Exception shall not be made until the Committee certifies in writing that the applicable Performance Objectives and any other material terms of such Award were in fact satisfied in a manner conforming to applicable regulations under Section 162(m) of the Code. The Committee shall not have discretion to increase the amount of compensation that is payable upon achievement of the designated Performance Objectives, but the Committee may reduce the amount of compensation that is payable upon achievement of the designated Performance Objectives.

# 16. Transferability.

- a. Except as otherwise determined by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of Section 16(c), no Award or Dividend Equivalents paid with respect to an Award made under the Plan shall be transferable by the Participant except by will or the laws of descent and distribution; *provided*, that if so determined by the Committee, each Participant may, in a manner established by the Board or the Committee, designate a beneficiary to exercise the rights of the Participant with respect to any Award upon the death of the Participant and to receive Shares or other property issued or delivered under such Award. Except as otherwise determined by the Committee, Stock Options and SARs will be exercisable during a Participant's lifetime only by him or her or, in the event of the Participant's legal incapacity to do so, by his or her guardian or legal representative acting on behalf of the Participant in a fiduciary capacity under state law and/or court supervision.
- b. The Committee may specify in an Award Agreement that part or all of the Shares that are to be issued or delivered by the Company upon the exercise of Stock Options or SARs, upon the termination of the Period of Restriction applicable to Restricted Shares or Restricted Share Units or upon payment under any grant of Performance Shares, Performance Units or Other Stock-Based Awards will be subject to further restrictions on transfer.
- c. Notwithstanding Section 16(a), the Committee may determine that Awards (other than Incentive Stock Options) may be transferable by a Participant, without payment of consideration therefore by the transferee, only to any one or more family members (as defined in the General Instructions to Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, or any successor provision) of the Participant; *provided*, *however*, that (i) no such transfer shall be effective unless reasonable prior notice (as specified by the Committee and set forth in the Award Agreement) thereof is delivered to the Company and such transfer is thereafter effected in accordance with any terms and conditions that shall have been made applicable thereto by the Board or the Committee, and (ii) any such transferee shall be subject to the same terms and conditions hereunder as the Participant.
- Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, Compensation Stock Compensation), such as a stock dividend, stock split, spinoff, rights offering, or recapitalization through a large, nonrecurring cash dividend, the Committee shall cause there to be an equitable adjustment in the numbers of Shares specified in Section 3 of the Plan and, with respect to outstanding Awards, in the number and kind of Shares subject to outstanding Awards, the Exercise Price, Grant Price or other price of Shares subject to outstanding Awards, in each case to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of Participants. In the event of any other change in corporate capitalization, or in the event of a merger, consolidation, liquidation, or similar transaction, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, cause there to be an equitable adjustment as described in the foregoing sentence, to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights; *provided*, *however*, that,

unless otherwise determined by the Committee, the number of Shares subject to any Award shall always be rounded down to a whole number. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee shall not make any adjustment pursuant to this Section 17 that would (i) cause any Stock Option intended to qualify as an ISO to fail to so qualify; (ii) cause an Award that is otherwise exempt from Section 409A of the Code to become subject to Section 409A, or (iii) cause an Award that is subject to Section 409A of the Code to fail to satisfy the requirements of Section 409A. The determination of the Committee as to the foregoing adjustments, if any, shall be conclusive and binding on Participants under the Plan.

- **18. Fractional Shares.** The Company shall not be required to issue or deliver any fractional Shares pursuant to the Plan and, unless otherwise provided by the Committee, fractional shares shall be settled in cash.
- 19. Withholding Taxes. To the extent required by Applicable Law, a Participant shall be required to satisfy, in a manner satisfactory to the Company or Subsidiary, as applicable, any withholding tax obligations that arise by reason of a Stock Option or SAR exercise, the vesting of or settlement of Shares under an Award, an election pursuant to Section 83(b) of the Code or otherwise with respect to an Award. The Company and its Subsidiaries shall not be required to issue or deliver Shares, to make any payment or to recognize the transfer or disposition of Shares until such obligations are satisfied. The Committee may permit or require these obligations to be satisfied by having the Company withhold a portion of the Shares that otherwise would be issued or delivered to a Participant upon exercise of the Stock Option or SAR or upon the vesting or settlement of an Award, or by tendering Shares previously acquired, in each case having a Fair Market Value equal to the minimum amount required to be withheld or paid. Any such elections are subject to such conditions or procedures as may be established by the Committee and may be subject to disapproval by the Committee.
- **20. Foreign Employees.** In order to facilitate the making of any Award or combination of Awards under the Plan, the Committee may provide for such special terms for Awards to Participants who are foreign nationals or who are employed by the Company or any Subsidiary outside of the United States of America as the Committee may consider necessary or appropriate to accommodate differences in local law, tax policy or custom. Moreover, the Committee may approve such supplements to or amendments, restatements or alternative versions of the Plan as it may consider necessary or appropriate for such purposes, without thereby affecting the terms of the Plan as in effect for any other purpose, and the Corporate Secretary or other appropriate officer of the Company may certify any such document as having been approved and adopted in the same manner as the Plan. No such special terms, supplements, amendments or restatements, however, shall include any provisions that are inconsistent with the terms of the Plan as then in effect unless the Plan could have been amended to eliminate such inconsistency without further approval by the shareholders of the Company.
- 21. Change in Control. The provisions of this Section 21 shall apply in the case of a Change in Control, unless otherwise provided in the applicable Award Agreement.
- a. Awards not Assumed or Substituted by Surviving Entity. Upon the occurrence of a Change in Control, and except with respect to any Awards assumed by the surviving entity or otherwise equitably converted or substituted in connection with the Change in Control in a manner approved by the Committee:
- i. all outstanding Options and SARs shall become fully vested and exercisable, and shall thereafter remain exercisable or lapse as provided in the Plan or the applicable Award Agreement;
- ii. all time-based vesting restrictions on outstanding Awards shall lapse as of the date of the Change in Control; and
- iii. the payout level under all outstanding performance-based Awards shall be determined and deemed to have been earned as of the effective date of the Change in Control as follows:
- A. if the Change in Control occurs during the first half of the applicable Performance Period, all relevant Performance Objectives will be deemed to have been achieved at the "target" level, and

B	. if the Change ir	n Control occ	urs during the se	econd half of th	e applicable Per	formance Period	d, the
actual level of achievement of all rele	evant Performance	Objectives v	will be measured	d as of the end	of the calendar	quarter immedi	ately
preceding the Change in Control, and							

- C. in either such case, there shall be a pro-rata vesting of the Award, based upon the length of time within the Performance Period that has elapsed prior to the date of the Change in Control.
- b. Awards Assumed or Substituted by Surviving Entity. With respect to Awards assumed by the surviving entity or otherwise equitably converted or substituted in connection with a Change in Control, if within two years after the effective date of the Change in Control, a Participant's employment is terminated without Cause or the Participant resigns for "good reason" (as defined in an applicable employment agreement or severance plan of the Company, if any), then:
- i. all of the Participant's outstanding Options and SARs shall become fully vested and exercisable, and shall thereafter remain exercisable for a period of one (1) year or until the earlier expiration of the original term of the Option or SAR;
- ii. all time-based vesting restrictions on the Participant's outstanding Awards shall lapse as of the date of such employment termination; and
- iii. the payout level under all of the Participant's performance-based Awards that were outstanding immediately prior to effective time of the Change in Control shall be determined and deemed to have been earned as of the date of such employment termination as follows:
- A. if the date of termination occurs during the first half of the applicable Performance Period, all relevant Performance Objectives will be deemed to have been achieved at the "target" level, and
- B. if the date of termination occurs during the second half of the applicable Performance Period, the actual level of achievement of all relevant Performance Objectives will be measured as of the end of the calendar quarter immediately preceding the date of termination, and
- C. in either such case, there shall be a pro-rata vesting of the Award based upon the length of time within the Performance Period that has elapsed prior to the date of termination.
- c. Cancellation of Awards. In connection with a Change in Control, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, either by the terms of the Award Agreement applicable to any Award or by resolution adopted prior to the occurrence of the Change in Control, provide that any outstanding Award (or a portion thereof) shall, upon the occurrence of such Change in Control, be cancelled in exchange for a payment in cash in an amount based on the Fair Market Value of the Shares subject to the Award (less any Exercise Price or Grant Price), which amount may be zero (0) if applicable.

## 22. Detrimental Activity; Forfeiture and Recoupment

- a. If the Committee determines a Participant has engaged in any Detrimental Activity, either during service with the Company or a Subsidiary or after termination of such service, then, promptly upon receiving notice of the Committee's determination, the Participant shall:
  - (i) forfeit all Awards granted under the Plan to the extent then held by the Participant;
- (ii) return to the Company or the Subsidiary all Shares that the Participant has not disposed of that had been acquired within two (2) years prior to the date of the Participant's initial commencement of the Detrimental Activity, in exchange for payment by the Company or the Subsidiary of any amount actually paid therefor by the Participant; and

- (iii) with respect to any Shares acquired within two (2) years prior to the date of the Participant's initial commencement of the Detrimental Activity pursuant to Awards granted under the Plan that were disposed of, pay to the Company or the Subsidiary, in cash, the excess, if any, of: (A) the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date acquired, over (B) any amount actually paid by the Participant for the Shares.
- b. To the extent that such amounts are not immediately returned or paid to the Company as provided herein, the Company may, to the extent permitted by law, seek other remedies, including a set off of the amounts so payable to it against any amounts that may be owing from time to time by the Company or a Subsidiary to the Participant for any reason, including, without limitation, wages, or vacation pay or other benefits; provided, however, that, except to the extent permitted by Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-3(j)(4), such offset shall not apply to amounts that are "deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code.
- c. Each Award granted to a Participant under the Plan shall be subject to forfeiture or repayment pursuant to the terms of any applicable compensation recovery policy adopted by the Company as in effect from time to time, including any such policy that may be adopted or amended to comply with the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act or any rules or regulations issued by the SEC or the New York Stock Exchange.

## 23. Amendment, Modification and Termination.

- a. The Board may at any time and from time to time, alter, amend, suspend or terminate the Plan in whole or in part; *provided*, *however*, that no alteration or amendment that requires shareholder approval in order for the Plan to continue to comply with the New York Stock Exchange rules or any rule promulgated by the SEC or any other securities exchange on which Shares are listed or any other Applicable Laws shall be effective unless such amendment shall be approved by the requisite vote of shareholders of the Company entitled to vote thereon within the time period required under such applicable listing standard or rule.
- b. The Committee may in its sole discretion at any time (i) provide that all or a portion of a Participant's Stock Options, SARs, and other Awards in the nature of rights that may be exercised shall become fully or partially exercisable; (ii) provide that all or a part of the Period of Restriction or other time-based vesting restrictions on all or a portion of the outstanding Awards shall lapse, and/or that any Performance Objectives or other performance-based criteria with respect to any Awards shall be deemed to be wholly or partially satisfied; or (iii) waive any other limitation or requirement under any such Award, in each case, as of such date as the Committee may, in its sole discretion, declare. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, any such adjustment that is made with respect to an Award that is intended to qualify for the Performance-Based Exception shall be made at such times and in such manner as will not cause such Awards to fail to qualify under the Performance-Based Exception. Additionally, the Committee shall not make any adjustment pursuant to this Section 23(b) that would cause an Award that is otherwise exempt from Section 409A of the Code to become subject to Section 409A or that would cause an Award that is subject to Section 409A of the Code to fail to satisfy the requirements of Section 409A.
- c. Except for adjustments made pursuant to Sections 17 or 21, the Board or the Committee will not, without the further approval of the shareholders of the Company, authorize the amendment of any outstanding Stock Option or SAR to reduce the Exercise Price or Grant Price, respectively. No Stock Option or SAR will be cancelled and replaced with awards having a lower Exercise Price or Grant Price, respectively, or for another Award, or for cash without further approval of the shareholders of the Company, except as provided in Sections 17 or 21. Furthermore, no Stock Option or SAR will provide for the payment, at the time of exercise, of a cash bonus or grant or sale of another Award without further approval of the shareholders of the Company. This Section 23(c) is intended to prohibit the repricing of "underwater" Stock Options or SARs without shareholder approval and will not be construed to prohibit the adjustments provided for in Section 17 or 21.
- d. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary (other than Section 17, 21(b), 22 and 23(e)), no termination, amendment, suspension, or modification of the Plan or an Award Agreement shall adversely affect in any material way any Award previously granted under the Plan, without the written consent of the Participant holding such Award. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any ISO granted under the Plan may be

modified by the Committee to disqualify such Stock Option from treatment as an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Code.

- e. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, the Committee shall be authorized to make minor or administrative amendments to the Plan and may amend the Plan or an Award Agreement, to take effect retroactively or otherwise, as deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of conforming the Plan or an Award Agreement to any present or future Applicable Laws.
- 24. Applicable Laws. The obligations of the Company with respect to Awards under the Plan shall be subject to all Applicable Laws and such approvals by any governmental agencies as the Committee determines may be required. The Plan and each Award Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Wisconsin, excluding any conflicts or choice of law rule or principle that might otherwise refer construction or interpretation of the Plan to the substantive law of another jurisdiction. Unless otherwise provided in the applicable Award Agreement, Participants are deemed to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the state courts of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin and the federal courts in the Eastern District of Wisconsin, to resolve any and all issues that may arise out of or relate to the Plan or any related Award Agreement.
- 25. Substitute Awards for Awards Granted by Other Entities. Substitute Awards may be granted under the Plan for grants or awards held by employees of a company or entity who become Employees or Directors of the Company or a Subsidiary as a result of the acquisition, merger or consolidation of the employer company by or with the Company or a Subsidiary. Except as otherwise provided by Applicable Laws and notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, the terms, provisions and benefits of the Substitute Awards so granted may vary from those set forth in or required or authorized by the Plan to such extent as the Committee at the time of the grant may deem appropriate to conform, in whole or part, to the terms, provisions and benefits of grants or awards in substitution for which they are granted.

#### 26. Miscellaneous.

- a. Except with respect to Stock Options and SARs, the Committee may permit Participants to elect to defer the issuance or delivery of Shares or the settlement of Awards in cash under the Plan pursuant to such rules, procedures or programs as it may establish for purposes of the Plan. The Committee also may provide that deferred issuances and settlements include the payment or crediting of Dividend Equivalents or interest on the deferral amounts. All elections and deferrals permitted under this provision shall comply with Section 409A of the Code, including setting forth the time and manner of the election (including a compliant time and form of payment), the date on which the election is irrevocable, and whether the election can be changed until the date it is irrevocable.
- b. The Plan shall not confer upon any Participant any right with respect to continuance of employment or other service with the Company or any Subsidiary, nor shall it interfere in any way with any right the Company or any Subsidiary would otherwise have to terminate such Participant's employment or other service at any time. No Employee or Director shall have the right to be selected to receive an Award under the Plan, or, having been so selected, to be selected to receive future Awards.
- c. Neither a Participant nor any other person shall, by reason of participation in the Plan, acquire any right or title to any assets, funds or property of the Company or any Subsidiary, including without limitation, any specific funds, assets or other property which the Company or any Subsidiary may set aside in anticipation of any liability under the Plan. A Participant shall have only a contractual right to an Award or the amounts, if any, payable under the Plan, unsecured by any assets of the Company or any Subsidiary, and nothing contained in the Plan shall constitute a guarantee that the assets of the Company or any Subsidiary shall be sufficient to pay any benefits to any person.
- d. If any provision of the Plan is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, or would disqualify the Plan or any Award under any law deemed applicable by the Committee, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended or limited in scope to conform to Applicable Laws or, in the discretion of the Committee, it shall be stricken and the remainder of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.

- e. By accepting any benefit under the Plan, each Participant and each person claiming under or through any such Participant shall be conclusively deemed to have indicated their acceptance and ratification of, and consent to, all of the terms and conditions of the Plan and any action taken under the Plan by the Committee, the Board or the Company, in any case in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan.
- f. No Participant or any eligible Employee or Director shall have any claim to be granted any Award under the Plan. No Participant shall have any rights as a shareholder with respect to any Shares subject to Awards granted to him or her under the Plan prior to the date as of which he or she is actually recorded as the holder of such Shares upon the stock records of the Company.
- g. No payment under the Plan shall be taken into account in determining any benefits under any pension, retirement, savings, profit sharing, group insurance, welfare or benefit plan of the Company or any Subsidiary unless provided otherwise in such other plan.
- h. All obligations of the Company under the Plan and with respect to Awards shall be binding on any successor to the Company, whether the existence of such successor is the result of a direct or indirect purchase, merger, consolidation, or other event, or a sale or disposition of all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company and references to the "Company" herein and in any Award agreements shall be deemed to refer to such successors.

# JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC. RESTRICTED SHARE UNIT AGREEMENT

# Summary of Restricted Share Unit Award

Journal Media Group, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (the "Company"), grants to the Grantee named below, in accordance with
the terms of the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and this Restricted Share Unit Agreement (this
"Agreement"), the following number of Restricted Share Units, on the Date of Grant set forth below:

1, ,	on (the " <u>Company</u> "), grants to the Grantee named below, in accordance with neentive Plan (the " <u>Plan</u> ") and this Restricted Share Unit Agreement (this nits, on the Date of Grant set forth below:
Name of Grantee:	
Number of Restricted Share Units:	
Date of Grant:	
Vesting Dates:	
Terms of Agreement	
and in the Plan, the Company hereby grants to the Grantee a <u>Units</u> ") set forth above. Each Restricted Stock Unit shall r	and upon the terms, conditions, and restrictions set forth in this Agreement as of the Date of Grant, the total number of share units (the " <u>Restricted Share</u> represent the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the to one Share. The Restricted Share Units shall be credited in a book entry ance with Section 4 hereof.
2. Vesting of Restricted Share Units.	
each of the Vesting Dates set forth above (each a " <u>Vesting I</u> that the Grantee shall have remained in the continuous empl purposes of this Section 2, the continuous employment of the	vest to the extent of of the Restricted Share Units on <u>Date</u> ") (subject to rounding conventions adopted by the Company), provided toy of the Company or a Subsidiary through the applicable Vesting Date. For the Grantee with the Company and its Subsidiaries shall not be deemed to have two ceased to be an employee of the Company and its Subsidiaries, by reason its Subsidiaries.

- (b) <u>Death or Disability</u>. Notwithstanding Section 2(a), the Restricted Share Units that have not yet vested under Section 2(a) shall immediately vest if, prior to the applicable Vesting Date, the Grantee ceases to be employed with the Company and its Subsidiaries by reason of death or Disability (defined by reference to the long-term disability plan covering the Grantee that is maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary).
  - (c) <u>Change in Control</u>. The provisions of Section 21 of the Plan shall apply in the case of a Change in Control.

## 3. Forfeiture of Restricted Share Units.

(a) Forfeiture of Unvested Awards. The Restricted Share Units that have not yet vested pursuant to Section 2 (including without limitation any right to dividend equivalents described in Section 7 hereof relating to dividends payable on or after the date of forfeiture) shall be forfeited automatically without further action or notice if the Grantee ceases to be employed by the Company or a Subsidiary other than as pursuant to Sections 2(b) or 2(c).

- (b) <u>Detrimental Activity</u>. The forfeiture provisions of Section 22 of the Plan, including those related to Detrimental Activity, shall apply to the Restricted Share Units and any amount paid hereunder. This Section 3(b) shall survive and continue in full force in accordance with its terms notwithstanding any termination of the Grantee's employment or the payment of the Restricted Share Units as provided herein.
- **4. Payment**. Except as may be otherwise provided in Section 11, the Company shall deliver to the Grantee (or the Grantee's estate in the event of death) the Shares underlying the vested Restricted Share Units within thirty (30) days following the date that the Restricted Share Units become vested in accordance with Section 2. The Company's obligations with respect to the Restricted Share Units shall be satisfied in full upon the delivery of the Shares underlying the vested Restricted Share Units.
- **5. Transferability**. The Restricted Share Units may not be transferred, assigned, pledged or hypothecated in any manner, or be subject to execution, attachment or similar process, by operation of law or otherwise, unless otherwise provided under the Plan. Any purported transfer or encumbrance in violation of the provisions of this Section 5 shall be void, and the other party to any such purported transaction shall not obtain any rights to or interest in such Restricted Share Units.
- **6. Dividend, Voting and Other Rights**. The Grantee shall not possess any incidents of ownership (including, without limitation, dividend and voting rights) in the Shares underlying the Restricted Share Units until such Shares have been delivered to the Grantee in accordance with Section 4 hereof. The obligations of the Company under this Agreement will be merely that of an unfunded and unsecured promise of the Company to deliver Shares in the future, and the rights of the Grantee will be no greater than that of an unsecured general creditor. No assets of the Company will be held or set aside as security for the obligations of the Company under this Agreement.
- 7. Payment of Dividend Equivalents. From and after the Date of Grant and until the earlier of (a) the time when the Restricted Share Units are paid in accordance with Section 4 hereof or (b) the time when the Grantee's right to payment of the Restricted Share Units is forfeited in accordance with Section 3 hereof, on the date that the Company pays a cash dividend (if any) to holders of Shares generally, the Grantee shall be entitled to a cash amount equal to the product of (i) the dollar amount of the cash dividend paid per Share on such date and (ii) the total number of unpaid Restricted Share Units credited to the Grantee as of such date (the "Dividend Equivalent"). The Dividend Equivalent shall be paid to the Grantee at the same time that the related dividend is paid to the holders of Shares. Dividend Equivalents will be subject to any required withholding for federal, state, local, foreign or other taxes.
- **8. No Employment Contract**. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall confer upon the Grantee any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Company and its Subsidiaries, nor limit or affect in any manner the right of the Company and its Subsidiaries to terminate the employment or adjust the compensation of the Grantee.
- **9. Relation to Other Benefits**. Any economic or other benefit to the Grantee under this Agreement or the Plan shall not be taken into account in determining any benefits to which the Grantee may be entitled under any profit-sharing, retirement or other benefit or compensation plan maintained by the Company or a Subsidiary and shall not affect the amount of any life insurance coverage available to any beneficiary under any life insurance plan covering employees of the Company or a Subsidiary.
- 10. Taxes and Withholding. To the extent the Company or any Subsidiary is required to withhold any federal, state, local, foreign or other taxes in connection with the delivery of Shares under this Agreement, then the Company or Subsidiary (as applicable) shall retain a number of Shares otherwise deliverable hereunder with a value equal to the required withholding (based on the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date of delivery); provided that in no event shall the value of the Shares retained exceed the minimum amount of taxes required to be withheld or such other amount that will not result in a negative accounting impact.
- 11. Section 409A. To the extent that the Grantee's right to receive payment of the Restricted Share Units constitutes a "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code, then notwithstanding Section 4, the Shares underlying the Restricted Share Units that become vested pursuant to Sections 2(b) or 2(c) hereof shall be subject to the following rules:

- (a) Payments. Except as provided in Section 11(b), the Shares underlying the vested Restricted Share Units shall be delivered to the Grantee (or the Grantee's estate in the event of death) within thirty (30) days after the earlier of: (i) the Grantee's "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code; (ii) the occurrence of a "change in the ownership," a "change in the effective control" or a "change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets" of the Company within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code; or (iii) the applicable Vesting Date for the Restricted Share Units set forth in Section 2(a).
- (b) <u>Specified Employees</u>. If the Restricted Share Units become payable as a result of Section 11(a)(i), and the Grantee is a "specified employee" at that time within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code (as determined pursuant to the Company's policy for identifying specified employees), then to the extent required to comply with Section 409A of the Code, the Shares shall instead be delivered to the Grantee within thirty (30) days after the first business day that is more than six months after the date of his or her separation from service (or, if the Grantee dies during such six-month period, within thirty (30) days after the Grantee's death).
- 12. Adjustments. The number and kind of Shares deliverable pursuant to the Restricted Share Units are subject to adjustment as provided in Section 17 of the Plan.
- 13. Compliance with Law. The Company shall make reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable federal and state securities laws and listing requirements with respect to the Restricted Share Units; provided, however, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and only to the extent permitted under Section 409A of the Code, the Company shall not be obligated to deliver any Shares pursuant to this Agreement if the delivery thereof would result in a violation of any such law or listing requirement.
- 14. Amendments. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee may modify this Agreement upon written notice to the Grantee. Any amendment to the Plan shall be deemed to be an amendment to this Agreement to the extent that the amendment is applicable hereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment of the Plan or this Agreement shall adversely affect the rights of the Grantee under this Agreement without the Grantee's consent unless the Committee determines, in good faith, that such amendment is required for the Agreement to either be exempt from the application of, or comply with, the requirements of Section 409A of the Code, or as otherwise may be provided in the Plan.
- 15. Severability. In the event that one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall be invalidated for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, any provision so invalidated shall be deemed to be separable from the other provisions hereof, and the remaining provisions hereof shall continue to be valid and fully enforceable.
- 16. Relation to Plan. This Agreement is subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, including the forfeiture provisions of Section 22 of the Plan. This Agreement and the Plan contain the entire agreement and understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter contained in this Agreement, and supersede all prior written or oral communications, representations and negotiations in respect thereto. In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the Plan, the Plan shall govern. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Plan. The Committee acting pursuant to the Plan, as constituted from time to time, shall, except as expressly provided otherwise herein, have the right to determine any questions which arise in connection with the grant of the Restricted Share Units.
- 17. Successors and Assigns. Without limiting Section 5, the provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the permitted successors, administrators, heirs, legal representatives and assigns of the Grantee, and the successors and assigns of the Company.
- **18.** Governing Law. The interpretation, performance, and enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Wisconsin, without giving effect to the principles of conflict of laws thereof.
- 19. Use of Grantee's Information. Information about the Grantee and the Grantee's participation in the Plan may be collected, recorded and held, used and disclosed for any purpose related to the administration of the

Plan. The Grantee understands that such processing of this information may need to be carried out by the Company and its Subsidiaries and by third party administrators whether such persons are located within the Grantee's country or elsewhere, including the United States of America. The Grantee consents to the processing of information relating to the Grantee and the Grantee's participation in the Plan in any one or more of the ways referred to above.

20. Electronic Delivery. The Grantee hereby consents and agrees to electronic delivery of any documents that the Company may elect to deliver (including, but not limited to, prospectuses, prospectus supplements, grant or award notifications and agreements, account statements, annual and quarterly reports, and all other forms of communications) in connection with this and any other award made or offered under the Plan. The Grantee understands that, unless earlier revoked by the Grantee by giving written notice to the Secretary of the Company, this consent shall be effective for the duration of the Agreement. The Grantee also understands that he or she shall have the right at any time to request that the Company deliver written copies of any and all materials referred to above at no charge. The Grantee hereby consents to any and all procedures the Company has established or may establish for an electronic signature system for delivery and acceptance of any such documents that the Company may elect to deliver, and agrees that his or her electronic signature is the same as, and shall have the same force and effect as, his or her manual signature. The Grantee consents and agrees that any such procedures and delivery may be effected by a third party engaged by the Company to provide administrative services related to the Plan.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer and the Grantee has also executed this Agreement, as of the Date of Grant.

## JOURNAL MEDIA GROUP, INC.

Ву	Timothy E. Stautberg President and Chief Executive Officer
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Na	ame:

By accepting this Agreement, you acknowledge that a copy of the Plan, Plan Summary and Prospectus, and the Company's most recent Annual Report and Proxy Statement, if any, (the "Prospectus Information") either have been received by you or are available for viewing at the corporate offices, and consent to receiving this Prospectus Information electronically, or, in the alternative, agree to contact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to request a paper copy of the Prospectus Information at no charge. You also represent that you are familiar with the terms and provisions of the Prospectus Information and hereby accept the award on the terms, and subject to the conditions, set forth herein and in the Plan. Specifically:

- You acknowledge that you have read the forfeiture provisions of Section 22 of the Plan (the "Forfeiture Provisions").
- You understand that as a condition to receiving the award set forth in this Agreement that you must agree to be bound by and comply with the terms and conditions of the Forfeiture Provisions.
- You agree to notify the Company in writing if you have, or reasonably should have, any questions regarding the applicability of the Forfeiture Provisions.

The terms and conditions of the Plan and this Agreement constitute a legal contract that will bind both you and the Company as soon as you accept the award.

## THOMPSON HINE LLP

May 11, 2015

Journal Media Group, Inc. 333 West State Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Journal Media Group, Inc., a Wisconsin corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") registering the offer and sale from time to time of 2,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, \$.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), pursuant to the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

We have examined such documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to enable us to render this opinion, including: (a) the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Company, (b) the Plan, (c) the Registration Statement, and (d) corporate records and proceedings of the Company.

Based upon the matters stated herein and subject to the qualifications set forth herein, it is our opinion that, upon the payment for shares of Common Stock in accordance with the terms of the Plan (assuming, except as to treasury shares, that the per share consideration is at least equal to the par value of the Common Stock) and issuance or delivery of such Common Stock as provided in the Plan, such Common Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

In rendering this opinion, we express no opinion as to the applicability of, compliance with, or effect of any laws other than the Wisconsin Business Corporation Law.

This opinion is limited to the specific issues addressed herein, and no opinion should be inferred as to any other matters. this opinion is based upon currently existing laws, rules, regulations and judicial decisions, and we disclaim any obligation to advise you with respect to any changes in any laws, rules, regulations or judicial decisions that may occur after the date of this opinion.

We consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to us under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus constituting a part of the Registration Statement. However, in giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Sincerely,

/s/ Thompson Hine LLP

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# **EXHIBIT 23.1**

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated March 31, 2015, relating to the combined financial statements of Scripps Newspapers (a combination of subsidiaries and operations of the newspaper business of The E.W. Scripps Company) (which report expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph related to the allocation of The E.W. Scripps Company costs) appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Journal Media Group, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2014.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Cincinnati, OH May 11, 2015

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned director and/or officer of Journal Media Group, Inc. (the "Company"), does hereby duly constitute and appoint, and by these presents does make, constitute and appoint, TIMOTHY E. STAUTBERG and JASON R. GRAHAM, and each of them, the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys, for the undersigned and in the undersigned's name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, to sign and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, a Registration Statement on Form S-8 registering the offer and sale of shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share, pursuant to the Journal Media Group, Inc. Long-Term Incentive Plan, and any and all amendments and supplements to such Registration Statement and any and all other documents to be signed and filed in connection therewith, hereby granting to such attorneys, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in the premises as fully, to all intents and purposes, as I might or could do if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming in all respects all that such attorneys or any of them may or shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Steven J. Smith

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal this 11th day of May, 2015.	
/s/ Steven J. Smith	

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	/s/ Stuart Aitken	
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	/s/ Jonathan Newcomb
	Jonathan Newcomb

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/s/ Mary Ellen Stanek	
Mary Ellen Stanek	

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**Brian Ross** 

/s/ Brian Ross

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal this 11th day of May, 2015.