#### **NEW YORK TIMES CO**

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **GOLDEN MICHAEL** Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

(First)

(State)

COMPANY, 620 8TH AVENUE

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT.A]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2007

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below) below) Vice Chairman

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Person

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Class A Common Stock (1)

12/17/2007

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D

58,845 (2)

D

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

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

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| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.                | 5.         | 6. Date Exer | cisable and     | 7. Title  | and      | 8. Price of | 9. Nu  |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber |            | Expiration D | piration Date   |           | nt of    | Derivative  | Deriv  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code              | of         | (Month/Day/  | Year)           | Underl    | ying     | Security    | Secui  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)        | Derivative | e            |                 | Securit   | ies      | (Instr. 5)  | Bene   |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    | Securities        |            |              |                 | (Instr. : | 3 and 4) |             | Owne   |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |                   | Acquired   |              |                 |           |          |             | Follo  |
|             | ·           |                     |                    |                   | (A) or     |              |                 |           |          |             | Repo   |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | Disposed   |              |                 |           |          |             | Trans  |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | of (D)     |              |                 |           |          |             | (Instr |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | (Instr. 3, |              |                 |           |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | 4, and 5)  |              |                 |           |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   |            |              |                 |           | A        |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   |            |              |                 |           | Amount   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   |            | Date         | Expiration Date | Or Or     |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   |            | Exercisable  |                 |           |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | ~                 |            |              |                 |           | of       |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V            | (A) (D)    |              |                 |           | Shares   |             |        |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |               |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer       | Other |  |  |  |
| GOLDEN MICHAEL<br>THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY<br>620 8TH AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10036 | X             |           | Vice Chairman |       |  |  |  |

## **Signatures**

/s/Theodore R. Wagner as Attorney-in-fact for Michael 12/18/2007 Golden

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Delivery of shares to The New York Times Company to satisfy withholding tax obligations related to the vesting of restricted stock granted December 16, 2004 under the 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan.
- In addition, as previously reported, the reporting person owns 237,415 shares of Class A Common Stock indirectly by a limited liability (2) company as general partner of a limited partnership, 700 shares of Class A Common Stock indirectly by his wife, as to which shares he disclaims beneficial ownership, and 1,400,000 shares of Class A Common Stock indirectly by a trust.

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