

MEDIA GENERAL INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Wortham Coleman III

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST  
 (Street)  
 RICHMOND, VA 23219  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MEDIA GENERAL INC [MEG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/30/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

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

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
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Derivative Security			Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
			Code	V					
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	09/30/2005	A	387	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	387	\$ 64.57
Phantom Stock <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0	09/30/2005	A	6	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	6	\$ 65.54

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wortham Coleman III 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST RICHMOND, VA 23219	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Coleman Wortham III, by George L. Mahoney,  
Attorney-in-fact

10/04/2005

        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) Reports quarterly allocations under the Company deferred compensation plan for outside directors fees.
  - (2) Exercisable upon retirement of director.
  - (3) Additionally, 10,000 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly.
  - (4) Reports quarterly allocations under the Company deferred compensation plan for automatic reinvestment of quarterly dividends on the units.

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