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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHRISTIAN EDWARD K</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SAGA COMMUNICATIONS INC [SGA]							(Ched	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last)	(F	iirst)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2003							X	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman, President and CEO					
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)									X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tá	ıble I - Non	-Derivat	ive S	ecuritie	s A	quired, D	isposed	of, or B	enefi	cially	Owned					
Date				2. Transact Date (Month/Day	Execut		n Date	Code (Ins	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ties Acquired (A) o I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo Reported	For lly (D)		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code V	Amoun		(A) or (D)		Transaction (Instr. 3 ar	action(s)			(Instr. 4)		
			Table II - D					uired, Dis s, options,					wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		er of e s I (A) sed str. 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Secu Underly Derivat	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Nur	ount nber Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Employee Stock Option (Right to	19.22	06/02/2003		A		339,343		03/01/2004 ⁽³⁾	06/02/201	Class I Commo	1 33	9,343	\$0	339,34	3	D		

Explanation of Responses:

3. Options become exercisable in 20% increments on March 1, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008; provided that the fair market value of Class A Common Stock attains \$30.95 (subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends or other similar change in the common stock) on or before June 2, 2008 and either (i) remains at or above such value for 10 consecutive trading days, or (ii) averages at or above such value for a period of 20 consecutive trading days.

> /s/ Edward K. Christian, by Paul R. Rentenbach attorney-in-fact

06/04/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned constitutes and appoints Samuel D. Bush, Marcia Lobaito and Paul R. Rentenbach, and each of them, the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution, and resubstitution for the undersigned and in the undersigned's name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4 and 5 and all other forms that may be required to be filed by the undersigned from time to time under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules promulgated thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute such forms and timely file such forms with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 or any other forms under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 12th day of May, 2003.

/s/ Edward K. Christian Edward K. Christian