#### ION MEDIA NETWORKS INC.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ION MEDIA NETWORKS INC. [ION]  **CITADEL INVESTMENT** (Month/Day/Year) **GROUP LLC** 01/17/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 131 S DEARBORN STREET (Check all applicable) 32ND FL.Â (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group \_\_X\_\_ 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting Person CHICAGO, ILÂ 60603 \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership Form: (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Class A Common Stock 2,724,207 Ι See (1) 14-1/4% Cumulative Junior Exchangeable 9,386.4688 See (1) I Preferred Stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
9-3/4% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	163,960	\$ 16	I	See <u>(1)</u>
Equity Swap	(3)	01/16/2008	Class A Common Stock	53,500	\$ 0.7	I	See (1)
Equity Swap	(3)	02/13/2008	Class A Common Stock	1,500,000	\$ 0.56	I	See (1)
Equity Swap	(3)	02/20/2008	Class A Common Stock	126,500	\$ 0.7	I	See (1)
Equity Swap	(3)	03/19/2008	Class A Common Stock	1,000,000	\$ 0.7	I	See (1)
Equity Swap	(3)	07/10/2008	Class A Common Stock	718,337	\$ 0.56	I	See (1)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
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CITADEL INVESTMENT GROUP LLC 131 S DEARBORN STREET 32ND FL CHICAGO, IL 60603	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
GRIFFIN KENNETH C CITADEL INVESTMENT GROUP LLC 131 S DEARBORN STREET 32ND FL CHICAGO, IL 60603	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
CIG MEDIA LLC CITADEL INVESTMENT GROUP LLC 131 DEARBOARN ST 32ND FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60603	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
CITADEL L P 131 S. DEARBORN STREET, 32ND FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60603	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	

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### **Signatures**

Matthew Hinerfeld, Managing Director and Deputy General Counsel +

01/26/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) See Exhibit 99.2 for the text of footnote (1)
- (2) The 9-3/4% Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible any time, at the holder's election, and has no expiration date.
- (3) See Exhibit 99.2 for the text of footnote (3)

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#### **Remarks:**

+ See Exhibit 99.1

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