

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

Form 4

December 08, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KIM CHARLES G

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

**COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC
/MO/ [CBSH]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

8000 FORSYTH BLVD.

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/05/2008

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

Executive Vice President

CLAYTON, MO 63105

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/05/2008		M		21,714	A	\$ 19.5397
Common Stock	12/05/2008		S		2,030	D	\$ 42.25
Common Stock	12/05/2008		S		900	D	\$ 42.0977
Common Stock	12/05/2008		S		300	D	\$ 42.09
Common Stock	12/05/2008		S		100	D	\$ 42.05

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Common Stock	12/05/2008	S	300	D	\$ 42.03	36,519	D	
Common Stock	12/05/2008	S	327	D	\$ 42.02	36,192	D	
Common Stock	12/05/2008	S	17,757	D	\$ 42	18,435	D	
Common Stock						12,019	I	401K

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 Derivative Security	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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 19.5397	12/05/2008		M	21,714	02/04/2000 02/03/2010	Common Stock 21,714

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KIM CHARLES G
8000 FORSYTH BLVD.
CLAYTON, MO 63105

Executive Vice President

Signatures

By: Jeffery Aberdeen For: Charles G. Kim

12/08/2008

__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) Stock holdings adjusted to include 5% stock dividend. Record date 11/14/2008. Payable date 12/1/2008.

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