## Edgar Filing: CLARK A BAYARD III - Form 4

<b>2K A BAYARD III</b> 4 0 <b>7,2003</b> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND Washington, D.C. 20549	EXCHANGE COMMIS	SION					
FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENE	FICIAL OWNERSHIP						
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<ol> <li>Name and Address of Repor- Clark, Alexander Bayard 8000 Forsyth Blvd. Clayton, MO 63105</li> </ol>	ting Person(s)						
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Commerce Bancshares, Inc.							
3. I.R.S. Identification Num	per of Reporting	Person, if	an entity	(Volu	intary)		
4. Statement for Month/Day/Ye 3/6/2003	ear						
5. If Amendment, Date of Orio	ginal (Month/Day	/Year)					
<ol> <li>Relationship of Reporting         <ol> <li>Director</li> <li>Officer (give title between ti</li></ol></li></ol>	[ ] 10% Ow elow) [ ] Other CFO Filing (Check A	ner (specify bel	ow)				
[ ] Form filed by More the Table I Non-Derivative Sec 	urities Acquired	, Disposed o  2)Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3.Trans- action Code Code V	4.Se or D Amou	ecurities sisposed	of (I A of C A or D	uired(A) D) Price
Common Stock		03/06/03					
Table II (PART 1) Derivativ							
1)Title of Derivative	2)Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3)Trans- action	4)Tr acti	ans- on	5)Numbe Securit or Disp	er of ties A	Derivat Acquired
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$37.220000	03/06/03	 A		15,000		

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Table II (PART 2) De	rivative Securit	ies Acquired,	Disposed of,	or Beneficially	Owned (Columns 1
1)Title of Derivative Security	3)Tran action Date	- ,	ying	Amount Number Shares	
Non-Qualified Stock Op (right to buy)	ption 03/06/	03 Common St	ock	15,000	

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /S/ By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: A. Bayard Clark

DATE 03/07/03