COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

Form 4 July 29, 2016

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)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETRIE MICHAEL J

(First)

1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC

/MO/ [CBSH]

(Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2016

(Street)

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

Senior Vice President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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)
Common Stock	07/27/2016		M	1,215	A	\$ 40.381	16,855	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2016		M	730	A	\$ 39.0286	17,585	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2016		F	106	D	\$ 47.51	17,479	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2016		D	1,633	D	\$ 47.51	15,846	D	
Common Stock	07/28/2016		S	206	D	\$ 47.3615	15,640	D	

Common Stock

23,589

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401(k)

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. Transacti 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 40.381	07/27/2016		M		1,215	01/27/2015	01/27/2024	Common Stock	1,21:
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 39.0286	07/27/2016		M		730	01/27/2016	01/27/2025	Common Stock	730

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETRIE MICHAEL J

1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR Senior Vice President

KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: Michael J.

Petrie 07/29/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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