KEMPER DAVID W

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KEMPER DAVID W	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) 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/16/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board, CEO		
(Street)	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		
KANSAS CITY, MO 64106		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/16/2009		S	565	D	38.2154 (1)	1,210,626	D	
Common Stock	09/17/2009		S	88	D	\$ 38.0401 (2)	1,210,538	D	
Common Stock	09/16/2009		S	223,838	D	\$ 38.2154 (1)	1,550,060	I	James M Kemper Trust
Common Stock	09/17/2009		S	34,680	D	\$ 38.0401	1,515,380	I	James M Kemper

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	(2)			Trust
Common Stock		4,220	I	Bank cust for son
Common Stock		11,565	I	CB Kemper Trust
Common Stock		11,566	I	CB Kemper Rev Trust
Common Stock		11,565	I	EC Kemper Trust
Common Stock		11,566	I	EC Kemper Revoc Trst
Common Stock		8,017	I	Exec Comp Plan
Common Stock		23,060	I	JW Kemper Trust
Common Stock		48,493	I	MLK Trust- JMK issue
Common Stock		174,463	I	Tower Properties Co
Common Stock		23,119	I	WL Kemper Trust
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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		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			5. orNumber	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	Underlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Own

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of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KEMPER DAVID W

1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR X Chairman of the Board, CEO

KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

Signatures

David W. 09/18/2009 Kemper

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) Range of sales prices for 9/16/2009 is \$38.00 to \$38.44 per share.
- (2) Range of sales prices for 9/17/2009 is \$38.00 to \$38.10 per share.

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