FOSTER SARA E

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FOSTER SARA E	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	/MO/ [CBSH]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/27/2010	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
KANSAS CITY, MO 64106	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				

(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. 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	09/27/2010		A	33	A	\$ 37.9272	13,162	D	
Common Stock							9,962	I	401K

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
					Exercisable	*	Title Number	Number			
						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

FOSTER SARA E 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

Senior Vice President

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: Sara E. Foster

09/28/2010

**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).

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