

KEMPER DAVID W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman of the Board, CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/10/2009

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

KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 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. 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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	03/10/2009		S	100 D \$ 30.38	1,214,850	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009		S	300 D \$ 30.37	1,214,550	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009		S	100 D \$ 30.36	1,214,450	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009		S	100 D \$ 30.35	1,214,350	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009		S	767 D \$ 30.33	1,213,583	D	

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Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	623	D	\$ 30.32	1,212,960	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	300	D	\$ 30.31	1,212,660	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	433	D	\$ 30.3	1,212,227	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	100	D	\$ 30.29	1,212,127	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	100	D	\$ 30.28	1,212,027	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2009	S	200	D	\$ 30.24	1,211,827	D	
Common Stock						4,220	I	Bank cust for son
Common Stock						23,131	I	CB Kemper Trust
Common Stock						11,565	I	EC Kemper Trust
Common Stock						11,566	I	EC Kemper Revoc Trst
Common Stock						7,906	I	Exec Comp Plan
Common Stock						23,060	I	JW Kemper Trust
Common Stock						1,997,528	I	James M 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

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KEMPER DAVID W 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106	X		Chairman of the Board, CEO	

## Signatures

By: Jeffery Aberdeen For: David W. Kemper 03/11/2009

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

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