

SPILLANE JOHN W

Form 4

January 07, 2005

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SPILLANE JOHN W

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
COMMERCE GROUP INC /MA  
[CGI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

23 INSTITUTE ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2004

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

WORCESTER, MA 01609

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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)
Common stock	12/28/2004		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1,770 D \$ 0	707,684	D	
Common stock	12/28/2004		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1,770 A \$ 0	43,808	I	See <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>
Common stock					1,212	I	See <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>
Common stock					5,000	I	See <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>

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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				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
SPILLANE JOHN W 23 INSTITUTE ROAD WORCESTER, MA 01609		X		

## Signatures

/s/ John W.  
Spillane 01/07/2005

\_\_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).

- (1) Gift of 1,770 shares to members of reporting person's immediate family sharing the reporting person's household.
- (2) 43,808 shares are owned by the undersigned's children.
- (3) 1,212 shares are owned by a trust established by the undersigned for one of his sons, of which the undersigned's son is the trustee.
- (4) 5,000 shares are owned by a trust of which the undersigned's son is the trustee.
- (5) The filing of this statement by the undersigned is not to be construed as and shall not be deemed to be an admission that the undersigned is, for the purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, a beneficial owner of these shares.

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