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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

MEEK TERRY O

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/ [CBSH]						(Check all applicable)				
(Last) P.O. BOX	, ,	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2005					X Director Officer (below)	give title below	_ 10% Owner _ Other (specify w)			
				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				
SPRINGF							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 I any (Month/Day	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Or Amount (D) Price				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	08/31/2005(1)			A	14		A	\$ 53.48	2,459	I	Spouse		
Common Stock									18,337	D			
Common Stock									2,278	I	Trust/Daughter		
Common Stock									2,278	I	Trust/Daughter #2		
Common Stock									2,278	I	Trust/Son		

Common Stock 2,278 I Trust/Son #2

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 Derivating Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	Conversion (Month/Day/Year) or Exercise Price of Derivative		4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed	.	Date	Amour Under Securi	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date	Expiration	Amount or			(Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MEEK TERRY O
P.O. BOX 1746 X
SPRINGFIELD, MO 65801

Signatures

By: Jeffery Aberdeen For: Terry O.
Meek
09/02/2005

**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) Shares purchased under Commerce Bancshares, Inc. stock purchase plan for non-employee directors.

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