

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/  
Form 4  
January 29, 2016

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

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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 \*  
**BARTH KEVIN G**

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

KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/ [CBSH]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/27/2016		A		5,814	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	01/27/2016		A		2,331	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	01/28/2016		F		1,760	D	\$ 40.06
Common Stock							32,977
Common Stock							12,417
						D	401(k)
						I	Exec Comp Plan

Common Stock		18,165	I	Commerce Brokerage *65
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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 39.38	01/27/2016		A	10,798 <u>(1)</u>	01/27/2017 01/27/2026	Common Stock	10,7

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARTH KEVIN G 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffery D. Aberdeen for Kevin G.  
Barth

01/29/2016

\_\_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) The stock appreciation right vests in four equal annual installments beginning January 27, 2017.

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