#### COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

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#### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ABERDEEN JEFFERY D			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/ [CBSH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) 1000 WALNU	(First) T ST., 7TH	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/18/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Controller
	(Street)		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
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	ve Sec	curities Acqu	uired, Disposed o	of, or Benefic	ially 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)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(mstr. 1)	
Common Stock	07/18/2012		M	6,202	A	\$ 23.9923	31,139	D	
Common Stock	07/18/2012		S	5,346	D	\$ 40.25	25,793	D	
Common Stock							13,774	I	401k
Common Stock							347	I	Custodian-daughter 1
Common Stock							347	I	Custodian-daughter 2

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Stock Stock	347	I	Custodian-son
Common Stock	1,683	I	Related Family Trust

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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)	Code	5. Number on f 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.9923	07/18/2012		M		6,202	03/06/2004	03/06/2013	Common Stock	6,20

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ABERDEEN JEFFERY D				
1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR			Controller	
KANSAS CITY, MO 64106				

## **Signatures**

Reporting Person

Jeffery D. Aberdeen 07/19/2012 \*\*Signature of Date

2 Reporting Owners

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