

BARTH KEVIN G
 Form 4
 March 07, 2003

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

FORM 4
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)
 Barth, Kevin G.
 1000 Walnut Street
 Kansas City, Missouri 64106
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Commerce Bancshares, Inc. (CBSH)
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year
 3/6/2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President
7. 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	2) Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3) Trans- action Code Code V	4) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	A or D Price
Common Stock	03/06/03	A (1)	934	A \$0.000000
Common Stock				
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Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1

1) Title of Derivative Security	2) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3) Trans- action Date	4) Trans- action Code Code V	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) A D
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$37.220000	03/06/03	A	14,000

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Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1

1) Title of Derivative Security	3) Trans- action Date	7) Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	Amount or Number of Shares	8) Price of Deri- vative Security
-		Title		
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	03/06/03	Common Stock	14,000	

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /S/ By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen
 For: Kevin G. Barth

DATE 03/07/03