

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

Form 4

December 03, 2004

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MATTHEWS ROBERT C JR

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC
/MO/ [CBSH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2004

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

(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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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 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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/01/2004 ⁽¹⁾		M	7,570 A	\$ 11.869	22,054	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004 ⁽¹⁾		M	14,898 A	\$ 11.869	36,952	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		F	1,804 D	\$ 49.8	35,148	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		S	786 D	\$ 49.44	34,362	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		S	640 D	\$ 49.4	33,722	D

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Common Stock	12/01/2004	S	5,360	D	\$ 49.39	28,362	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 49.38	27,362	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2004	S	700	D	\$ 49.37	26,662	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2004	S	300	D	\$ 49.36	26,362	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 49.31	25,362	D	
Common Stock						16,305	I	401K

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.869	12/01/2004 ⁽¹⁾		M		7,570		02/03/1995	02/03/2005	Common Stock	7,570
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.869	12/01/2004 ⁽¹⁾		M		14,898		02/03/1995	02/03/2005	Common Stock	14,898

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners

MATTHEWS ROBERT C JR

Executive Vice President

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: Robert C.
Matthews, Jr.

12/03/2004

__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) All holdings reported in column 5 of this form have been restated for a 5% stock dividend, ex-date 11/24/2004.

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