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February 14, 2003

UNITED	STATE	S SEC	CURITIES	AND	EXCHANGE	COMMISSION
Washing	ton, 1	D.C.	20549			

FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

- [] Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
- [] Form 3 Holdings Reported
- [] Form 4 Transactions Reported
- 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/Year 12/31/2002
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) [] 10% Owner [] Director
 - [X] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below) Senior Vice President
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - [X] 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

______ 2) Trans- 3.Trans- 4.Securities Acquired(A) action action or Disposed of (D)
Date Code A 1) Title of Security (Month/ or Day/Year) Code Amount D Price

Common Stock

12/31/02 A 312 (1) A Common Stock

Common Stock

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

1) Title of Derivative	2)Conversion	3)Trans-	4)Trans-	5) Number of Derivative
Security	or Exercise	action	action	Securities Acquired (A)

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	Derivativ Security	re	Code	А	D
Table II (PART 2) Derivative	Securitite	es Acquired, Disposed	of, or E	Seneficially C	Owned (Columns
1)Title of Derivative Security	3)Trans- action Date	7) Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		Amount or Number of	8)Price of Deri- vative Security
_		Title		Shares	

Price of Date Code or Disposed of (D)

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

DATE 02/14/03