FOSTER SARA E Form 4

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## 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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading FOSTER SARA E Issuer Symbol **COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC** (Check all applicable) /MO/ [CBSH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR 02/05/2010 Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

### KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

	(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed (	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
S	.Title of ecurity	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	saction Date 2A. Deemed //Day/Year) Execution Date, if		3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(]	Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Common Stock	02/05/2010		A	532 (1)	A	\$0	10,567	D	
	Common Stock	02/05/2010		A	2,500 (2)	A	\$0	13,067	D	
	Common Stock							10,041	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	ecution Date, if TransactionNumber Expiration Da		ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv	
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					(A) or						Repo
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Number			
				Codo V	(A) (D)				of Charac		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOSTER SARA E 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

Senior Vice President

### **Signatures**

By: Jeffery Aberdeen For: Sara E. Foster

02/09/2010

\*\*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) Restricted stock award that vests in 5 years.
- (2) Restricted stock award with 1/3 vesting in 5 years, 1/3 vesting in 6 years, and 1/3 vesting in 7 years.

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