

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

November 09, 2001

FORM 4	UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP	<u>OMB APPROVAL</u> OMB NumberK235-0287 Expires: September 30, 1998 Estimated average burden hours per responseH.5
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) - Director 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give Other (specify title below) below)
PUCELLA MICHAEL	Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. ("DCOM")	
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting	4. Statement for Month/Year
209 HAVEMEYER STREET		Senior V.P. - Finance

	Person (Voluntary)	October, 2001						
(Street) BROOKLYN NY 11211		5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I — Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans-action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans-action Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End (I) of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	10/26/2001	M		5,000	A	\$23.99		
Common Stock	10/26/2001	S		5,000	D	\$23.99		
						12 192	D	
						50 664	I	Benefit Plans

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. (Over)

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v). SEC 1474 (7-96)

FORM 4 (continued) 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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Transaction (A) or (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 Exer-cisable	Expira-tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (payment to buy)	\$9.67	10/26/2001	M			5,000	12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common stock	5,000

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ MICHAEL PUCELLA

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. NOVEMBER 9, 2001

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a). **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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