

Bryant John Hope  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**Bryant John Hope**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp [ACRE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2012

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

**C/O ARES MANAGEMENT LLC, 2 NORTH LASALLE STREET, SUITE 925**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

**CHICAGO, IL 60602**

(City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/30/2012	Â	S4 <sup>(1)</sup>	304 D \$ 16.89	6,723 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	10/11/2012	Â	P4 <sup>(1)</sup>	2.133 A \$ 16.8776 <sup>(3)</sup>	6,725.133 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	10/23/2012	Â	S4 <sup>(1)</sup>	650 D \$ 16.87	6,075.133 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	Â



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