COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

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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 ** RAUSCHER ROBERT			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			/MO/ [CBSH]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1000 WALNU	(First) Γ ST., 7TH	(Middle) FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2016	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
KANSAS CIT	Y, MO 6410)6	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ 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 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 05/11/2016 M 10,854 A 47,615 (1) D Stock 32.0112 Common 05/11/2016 F 1,214 \$ 47.48 D D 46,401 Stock Common 05/11/2016 D D 7,318 D \$ 47.48 39,083

Stock								
Common Stock	05/12/2016	S	2,322	D	\$ 47.48	36,761	D	
Common Stock						9,046	I	401(k)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 32.0112	05/11/2016		M	10,85	4 02/02/2008(2)	02/02/2017	Common Stock	10	

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

RAUSCHER ROBERT 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

Senior Vice President

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: Robert J. Rauscher

05/12/2016

**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 stock holdings were adjusted to include a 5% stock dividend (record date 11/27/15, payable 12/14/15).
- (2) The stock appreciation rights vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 2, 2008.

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