COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/

Form 4

December 20, 2016

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Vice Chairman

10% Owner

_ Other (specify

Issuer

below)

X Director

X_ Officer (give title

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

Symbol

/MO/ [CBSH]

(Month/Day/Year)

12/05/2016

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR

(Middle)

KEMPER JONATHAN M

	(Street)	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
KANSAS CITY, MO 64106					F	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	y) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi						or Beneficial	lly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	etion Date 2A. Deemed ay/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Benefic Owner Ownership Owner Owned Direct (D) Owner Sellowing or Indirect (Instr. 4 (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/05/2016		G	V		D	\$ 0	1,165,618 (1)	D		
Common Stock	12/12/2016		G	V	344	D	\$ 0	71,092	I	Julie Kemper Irrev Trust	
Common Stock	12/19/2016		A		443	A	\$ 58.5316	121,668	I	Exec Comp Plan	
Common Stock								46,887	I	401(k)	
Common Stock								17,897	I	Charlotte Kemper	

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			Irrev Trust
Common Stock	32,174	I	David BR Kemper Ext Trust
Common Stock	8,293	I	David BR Kemper Irrev Trust
Common Stock	32,367	I	Irrev Trust For Self
Common Stock	32,441	I	Nicolas Kemper Ext Trust
Common Stock	8,559	I	Nicolas Kemper Irrev Trust
Common Stock	257,759	I	Tower Properties Co

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;		7. Title at Amount of Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 a	int of rlying rities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	nount umber		

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KEMPER JONATHAN M 1000 WALNUT ST., 7TH FLOOR KANSAS CITY, MO 64106

X

Vice Chairman

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: Jonathan M. Kemper

12/19/2016

**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 holding balances adjusted to include a 5% stock dividend. Record date of 12/2/2016 and payable 12/19/2016.

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