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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Departing Da

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STRANGHOENER V RAYMOND			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC /MO/ [CBSH]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 8000 FORS	(First) YTH BLVD.	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 01/27/20		ansaction			Director X Officer (give below) Executive		Owner er (specify
CLAYTON,	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/27/2016			Code V A	3,633	(D)	Price \$ 0	60,323 (1)	D	
Common Stock	01/27/2016			A	1,795	A	\$ 0	62,118	D	
Common Stock	01/28/2016			F	1,186	D	\$ 40.06	60,932	D	

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative		*		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie	
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Y	ear)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 39.38	01/27/2016		A	6,748 (2)	01/27/2017	01/27/2026	Common Stock	6,74

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STRANGHOENER V RAYMOND Executive 8000 FORSYTH BLVD. Vice CLAYTON, MO 63105 President

Signatures

By: Jeffery D. Aberdeen For: V. Raymond Stranghoener 01/29/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 right vests in four equal annual installments beginning on January 27, 2017.

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