PETRIE MICHAEL J

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Form 4

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETRIE MICHAEL J			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) 1000 WALNU	(First) JT STREET	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2005	Director 10% Owner Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)		

KANSAS CITY, MOÂ 64106

(State)

(City)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-Dei	rivative Se	ecuriti	ies Acquired	l, 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. Securi or Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	` ′	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	01/23/1996(1)	Â	S4	389	D	\$ 36	4,911	D	Â
Common Stock	08/18/1997(1)	Â	F4	269	D	\$ 51.8125	4,642	D	Â
Common Stock	08/18/1997(1)	Â	M4	519	A	\$ 11.9411	5,161	D	Â
Common Stock	08/18/1997(1)	Â	F4	278	D	\$ 51.8125	4,883	D	Â

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Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	17,825	I	401K
Common Stock	12/11/2003(1)	Â	F4	1,551	D	\$ 48.24	3,332	D	Â

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.9411	08/18/1997 <u>(1)</u>	Â	M4	519	Â	02/04/1993	02/03/2003	Common Stock	519

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PETRIE MICHAEL J 1000 WALNUT STREET KANSAS CITY, MO 64106	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Jeffery D. Aberdeen for Michael J.
Petrie 01/05/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

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

(1) The transaction noted was previously unreported.

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