

RAGONE DANIEL J

Form 4

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1(b).

**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RAGONE DANIEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/
[CBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

26 ELLIS STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

03/14/2006

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

HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

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Person

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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
				Code V Amount	Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Derivative Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Right to Buy ⁽¹⁾	\$ 36.37	03/14/2006	A		7,500		<u>(2)</u>	03/14/2016	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RAGONE DANIEL J 26 ELLIS STREET HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033	X			

Signatures

Daniel J.
Ragone

03/23/2006

 **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) Granted under the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, which is a 16b-3 plan.

(2) The stock options are exercisable in 25% increments on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th anniversaries of the grant date.

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