

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FALESE ROBERT D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

COMMERCE BANCORP,  
INC., 1701 ROUTE 70 EAST

(Street)

CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/  
[CBH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/01/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President, Comm & Inv Banking

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/01/2006		M		132	A	\$ 10.92
Common Stock	08/01/2006		M		6,608	A	\$ 15.3
Common Stock	08/01/2006		M		4,984	A	\$ 20.06
Common Stock	08/01/2006		M		9,344	A	\$ 21.4
Common Stock							257,376
Common Stock							3,508
						I	By Wife

Common Stock	404	I	By Wife - IRA
Common Stock	20,871	I	ESOP Allocation <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	44,500	I	A&R Foundation
Common Stock	1,631	I	401k <sup>(2)</sup>

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Right to Buy <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 10.92	08/01/2006		M		12/15/1999	12/15/2008	Common Stock	132
Right to Buy <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 15.3	08/01/2006		M		01/31/2002	01/31/2011	Common Stock	6,608
Right to Buy <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 20.06	08/01/2006		M		02/04/2003	02/04/2012	Common Stock	150,000
Right to Buy <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 21.4	08/01/2006		M		<sup>(4)</sup>	02/18/2013	Common Stock	150,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FALESE ROBERT D COMMERCE BANCORP, INC.	X		President, Comm & Inv	

1701 ROUTE 70 EAST  
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

Banking

## Signatures

Robert D.  
Falese, Jr. 08/02/2006

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) Reflects ESOP allocations that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.
- (2) Includes shares acquired under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Granted under the Company's 1997 & 2004 Employee Stock Option Plans, which are 16b-3 plans.
- (4) The stock options are exercisable in 25% increments on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.

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