

PUCELLA MICHAEL

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PUCELLA MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
DIME COMMUNITY
BANCSHARES INC [DCOM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

209 HAVEMEYER STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

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

BROOKLYN, NY 11211

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	08/01/2012	08/01/2012	X	3,000 A \$ 13.16	28,164	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2012	08/01/2012	S	3,000 D \$ 14.5	25,164	D	
Common Stock					0	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock					45,474	I	Bmp
Common Stock					51,001	I	Esop

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Common Stock	2,025	I	Other
Common Stock	14,158	I	Restricted Stock Awards

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)	8. D S (I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.16	08/01/2012	08/01/2012	X	3,000	02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
PUCELLA MICHAEL 209 HAVEMEYER STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11211	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
	EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

/s/ MICHAEL
PUCELLA 08/03/2012

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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