

DIFRANCESCO DONALD T
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**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 *
DIFRANCESCO DONALD T

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/20/2006

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

COMMERCE BANCORP,
INC, 1701 ROUTE 70 EAST

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | 6,472 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 768 | I | By Wife |
| Common Stock | | | | | 340 | I | By Wife (IRA) |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2006 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 11 A | \$ 36.38 | 0 I | By Wife DRIP |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2006 | | L ⁽²⁾ | 3 A | \$ 36.38 | 808 I | By Wife DRIP |

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) J- Purchase under DRIP

(2) L- Dividend Reinvestment

(3) Reflects ESOP allocations that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

(4) Includes shares acquired under the company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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