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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 13F

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REPORT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OR QUARTER ENDED: 3/31/08

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THIS AMENDMENT (CHECK ONLY ONE.): () RESTATEMENT.

() ADDS NEW HOLDINGS ENTRIES.

INSTITUTIONAL INVESTMENT MANAGER FILING THIS REPORT:

NAME: COMMERCE BANCSHARES, INC. ADDRESS: 1000 WALNUT, P.O. BOX 13686

KANSAS CITY, MO 64199

FORM 13F FILE NUMBER: 28-642

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PERSON SIGNING THIS REPORT ON BEHALF OF REPORTING MANAGER:

NAME: JEFFERY D. ABERDEEN

TITLE: CONTROLLER PHONE: 816-234-2081

SIGNATURE, PLACE, AND DATE OF SIGNING:

JEFFERY D. ABERDEEN KANSAS CITY, MO 4/24/08

REPORT TYPE (CHECK ONLY ONE.):

() 13F HOLDINGS REPORT

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LIST OF OTHER MANAGERS REPORTING FOR THIS MANAGER:

28-05260 COMMERCE BANK, N.A. (MISSOURI) 28-04263 COMMERCE BANK, N.A. (WICHITA, KS)

I AM SIGNING THIS REPORT AS REQUIRED BY THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

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REPORT SUMMARY:

NUMBER OF OTHER INCLUDED MANAGERS:

FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE ENTRY TOTAL:

FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE VALUE TOTAL: \$8,728 (THOUSANDS)

LIST OF OTHER INCLUDED MANAGERS:

NONE

FORM 13F INFORMATION TABLE

			VALUE	SHARES/	SH/	PUT/	INVSTMT
NAME OF ISSUER	TITLE OF CLASS	CUSIP	(X1000)	PRN AMT	PRN	CALL	DSCRETN
BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO.	COMMON STOCK	110122108	1255	58922	SH		SOLE
GENERAL ELECTRIC	COMMON STOCK	369604103	3701	100000	SH		SOLE
GOLDMAN SACHS	COMMON STOCK	38141G104	331	2000	SH		SOLE
JOHNSON AND JOHNSON	COMMON STOCK	478160104	2171	33461	SH		SOLE
J.P. MORGAN CHASE & CO.	COMMON STOCK	616880100	1270	29575	SH		SOLE