DIFRANCESCO DONALD T

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DIFRANCESCO DONALD T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

Stock

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/13/2008

[CBH]

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

COMMERCE BANCORP, INC., 1701 ROUTE 70 EAST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

36.37

CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		of (D)	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	03/24/2008		M M	Amount 10,000	(D)	\$ 20.06	16,472	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		M	10,000	A	\$ 21.4	26,472	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		M	10,000	A	\$ 29.45	36,472	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		M	7,500	A	\$ 31.38	43,972	D	
Common	03/24/2008		M	3,750	A	\$ 36.37	47,722	D	

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Common Stock	03/24/2008	M		1,875	A	\$ 33.12	49,597	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2008	S		43,125	D	\$ 36.58	6,472	D	
Common Stock							543	I	By Wife
Common Stock							340	I	By Wife (IRA)
Common Stock	03/13/2008	G	V	840	D	\$ 0	237	I	By Wife DRIP
Common Stock							516	I	By Wife-401(k) Allocation
Common Stock							1,430	I	By Wife-401(k)

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		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 (1) (2)	\$ 20.06	03/24/2008		M	10,000	02/04/2003	02/04/2012	Common Stock	10,000
Right to Buy (1) (2)	\$ 21.4	03/24/2008		M	10,000	(3)	02/18/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Right to Buy (1) (2)	\$ 29.45	03/24/2008		M	10,000	(3)	02/03/2014	Common Stock	10,000
	\$ 31.38	03/24/2008		M	7,500	(3)	03/08/2015		7,500

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Right to Buy (1)							Common Stock	
Right to Buy (1)	\$ 36.37	03/24/2008	M	3,750	<u>(4)</u>	03/14/2016	Common Stock	7,500
Right to Buy (1)	\$ 33.12	03/24/2008	M	1,875	<u>(4)</u>	03/20/2017	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
DIFRANCESCO DONALD T								
COMMERCE BANCORP, INC.	X							
1701 ROUTE 70 EAST	Λ							
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034								

Signatures

Donald T.

DiFrancesco 03/26/2008

**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 1989 & 1998 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plans, which are 16b-3 plans.
- (2) Reflects the Company's two-for-one stock split, in the form of a 100% stock dividend, that was declared on February 15, 2005.
- Under the original terms, the stock options were exercisable in 25% increments on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th anniversaries of the grant date. In December 2005, the Board of Directors accelerated all unvested stock options to become immediately exercisable.
- (4) The stock options are exercisable in 25% increments on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th anniversaries of the grant date.

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