

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/

Form 4

September 22, 2005

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 *
RAGONE DANIEL J

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)

RAGONE, RAILBLE, LACATENA
& BEPPLE, 76 EUCLID AVE.

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/20/2005

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

HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033

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

(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	09/20/2005		C		3,791	A	<u>11</u> 156,869
Common Stock							75,628
Common Stock							20,145
Common Stock							2,260
							D
							I
							I
							I
							By Wife
							By Wife- DRIP
							By Wife- IRA

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(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. Amount or Number of Shares
5.95% Conv Trust Pref Sec of Comm Cap Trust II	(1)	09/20/2005		C	2,000	(1) 03/11/2032	Common Stock	3,791

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
RAGONE DANIEL J RAGONE, RAILBLE, LACATENA & BEPPLE 76 EUCLID AVE. HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033	X

Signatures

Daniel J. Ragone
09/22/2005

**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).

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On August 15, 2005, the Company announced the redemption of its publicly traded 5.95% Convertible Trust Preferred Securities issued by Commerce Capital Trust II on May 11, 2002. Pursuant to the terms of the Indenture, each Convertible Trust Preferred Security was converted into 1.8956 shares of Commerce Bancorp, Inc. common stock (equal to a conversion price of approximately \$26.38).

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