

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/

Form 4

December 22, 2004

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NORCROSS GEORGE E III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

COMMERCE NATIONAL
INSURANCE SERVICES, 1701
ROUTE 70 EAST

(Street)

CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/
[CBH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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	12/20/2004		J ⁽¹⁾	165 A	\$ 60.73	352,047 D	
Common Stock					13,181	I	401k
Common Stock					3,386	I	ESOP Allocation
Common Stock					1,271	I	Wife - IRA
					709	I	

Common
Stockc/f Minor
childrenCommon
Stock

12/20/2004

J⁽¹⁾

165

A

\$
60.73

172,540

I

Grantor
trust for
minor
children

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10%
Owner Officer Other

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1701 ROUTE 70 EAST
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

X

Signatures

George E.
Norcross, III

12/22/2004

**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) J(1) Purchased under DRIP

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