

DEVINE MICHAEL P
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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 *
DEVINE MICHAEL P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DIME COMMUNITY
BANCSHARES INC [DCOM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
209 HAVEMEYER STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/28/2011

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

BROOKLYN, NY 11211

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 or Price		
Common Stock	02/16/2012	02/16/2012	X		10,539 A \$ 8.34	393,413	D
Common Stock	02/16/2012	02/16/2012	S		10,539 D \$ 14.28	382,874	D
Common Stock	02/21/2012	02/21/2012	X		8,860 A \$ 8.34	391,734	D
Common Stock	02/21/2012	02/21/2012	S		8,860 D \$ 14.15	382,874	D
Common Stock	04/28/2011	04/28/2011	A		13,741 A \$ 15.3	228,006	I Bmp

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Common Stock	0	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	56,897	I	Esop
Common Stock	6,062	I	Restricted Stock Award

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

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.34	02/16/2012	02/16/2012	X	10,539	05/01/2010 04/30/2019	Common Stock 10,539
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.34	02/21/2012	02/21/2012	X	8,860	05/01/2010 04/30/2019	Common Stock 8,860

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEVINE MICHAEL P 209 HAVEMEYER STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11211	X		PRESIDENT & COO	

Signatures

/s/ MICHAEL P.
DEVINE

02/21/2012

__Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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