| 1. | Name and Address of Reporting Person MAHON, KENNETH J. 209 Havemeyer Street Brooklyn, NY 11211 Kings |
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| 2. | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |
| | Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. (DCOM) |
| 3. | IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary) |
| 4. | Statement for Month/Year |
| | 2002 |
| 5. | If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) |
| 6. | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |
| | (X) Director () 10% Owner |
| | (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below) |
| | EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT |
| 7. | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |
| | (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

 $\label{total continuous} \mbox{ TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned}$

| 1. Title of Security | 2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year) | 3. Trans- action Code | 4. Securit: or Dispo Amount | ies Acqu osed of -+ | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of + Year | 6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | ++ 7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship |
|--|---|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------|--|---|--|
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TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| | I | I | | | | | | Title a | nd Amount | | ative | Deriv- | 1 1 |
| | I | 1 | | | | 1 | | of Unde | rlying | | Secur- | ative | Nature |
| | Conver- | I | | Number | of | | | Securit | ies | | ities | Secur- | of |
| | sion or | 1 | | Deriva | tive | Date Exerc: | isable | + | + | + | Benefi- | ity: | In- |
| | Exercise | :[| | Securi | ties | and Expirat | tion Date | 1 | Amount | | cially | Direct | direct |
| | Price of | Transac- | Transac- | Acquir | ed(A) | (Month/Day | /Year) | 1 | or | | 0wned | (D) or | Bene- |
| Title of | Deriv- | tion Date | tion Code | Dispos | ed(D) | + | + | + | Number | Price of | at End | In- | ficial |
| Derivativ | e ative | (Month/ | | ++ | | +Date Exer- | Expira- | 1 | of | Derivative | of | direct | Owner- |
| Security | Security | Day/Year) | I | (A) | (D) | cisable | tion Date | Title | Shares | Security | Year | (I) | ship |
| + | + | + | + | ++ | | + | + | + | + | + | | + | ++ |

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ KENNETH J. MAHON

DATE 02/14/2003