

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 FARRELL, JOSEPH H.
 209 Havemeyer Street
 Brooklyn, NY 11211
 Kings
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)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
7. 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	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			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
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock					103207	D		
Common Stock					0	I	RRP	

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Benefi- cially Owned at End of Year	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I)	Nature of In- ficial Owner- ship
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$6.45				12/26/2006	Common Stock		86168	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$16.36				11/21/2011	Common Stock		4500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /s/ JOSEPH H. FARRELL

DATE
 02/14/2003