

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>MAHON KENNETH J</b> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>209 HAVEMEYER STREET</b> _____ (Street) <b>BROOKLYN NY 11211</b> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC</b> <b>[ DCOM ]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>FIRST EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT</b>		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>05/05/2010</b>					
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/05/2010	05/05/2010	S		6,000	D	\$13.2372	124,301	D	
Common Stock								104,613	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock								117,026	I	Bmp
Common Stock								55,966	I	Esop
Common Stock								3,913	I	Restricted Stock Awards
Restricted Stock Award								10,641	D	
Restricted Stock Award								12,201	I	Restricted Stock Award

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.75							05/01/2011	04/30/2020	Common Stock	12,176		12,176	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.91							11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	56,250		56,250	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.16							02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	60,750		60,750	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.9							01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Stock	60,750		60,750	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.1							05/31/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/31/2015	Common Stock	49,462		49,462	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.74							05/01/2008 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/01/2017	Common Stock	105,000		105,000	D	

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.73							05/01/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/31/2018	Common Stock	11,706		11,706	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$8.34							05/01/2010	04/30/2019	Common Stock	25,947		25,947	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Options vest in equal annual installments on May 31, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- Options vest in equal 1/4th annual installments on May 1, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.
- Award vests in equal annual installments (adjusted for rounding) on May 1, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

/s/ KENNETH J. MAHON      05/07/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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

\* 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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