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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Perry Joseph	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	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2009	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street) BROOKLYN, NY 11211	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
,		Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally 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)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of (E) 4 and (A) or)) 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)
Restricted Stock Award	04/30/2009		Code V A	Amount 1,799	(D)		1,799	I	Restricted Stock Award
Common Stock							11,600	D	
Common Stock							2,000	I	Restricted Stock Award

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	re e	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities 1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.34	04/30/2009		A	8,868	05/01/2010	04/30/2019	Common Stock	8,868
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.74					05/01/2008	05/01/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18					05/30/2009	05/30/2018	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Perry Joseph 209 HAVEMEYER STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11211	X					

Signatures

/s/ JOSEPH J. PERRY	05/04/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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