PALAGIANO VINCENT F

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALAGIANO VINCENT F	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) 04/05/2011	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO		
(Street)	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 		
BROOKLYN, NY 11211		Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	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)
Common Stock	04/05/2011	04/05/2011	X 36,664 A \$ 10.91	656,480	D	
Common Stock				0	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock				316,323	I	Bmp
Common Stock				56,897	I	Esop
Common Stock				0	I	Restricted Stock Award

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	\$ 10.91	04/05/2011	04/05/2011	X	36,664	11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	36,664

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PALAGIANO VINCENT F						
209 HAVEMEYER STREET	X		Chairman and CEO			

Signatures

BROOKLYN, NY 11211

/s/ VINCENT F. 04/07/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

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