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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALAGIANO VINCENT F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

(Month/Day/Year)

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC [DCOM]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

300 CADMAN PLAZA WEST, 8TH 12/30/2016

(Street)

(State)

FLOOR

(City)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City)	(State) (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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/30/2016 <u>(1)</u>	12/30/2016 <u>(1)</u>	A	2,825	A	\$ 20.1	354,760	I	Bmp
Common Stock	12/30/2016(2)	12/30/2016(2)	A	23,819	A	\$ 20.1	84,759	I	Esop
Common Stock	03/31/2017	03/31/2017	J <u>(3)</u>	16,157	D	\$ 20.3	68,602	I	Esop
Common Stock	03/31/2017	03/31/2017	J <u>(3)</u>	16,157	A	\$ 20.3	698,089	D	

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

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.74					02/01/2008(4)	05/01/2017	Common Stock	112

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PALAGIANO VINCENT F 300 CADMAN PLAZA WEST 8TH FLOOR BROOKLYN, NY 11201	X					

Signatures

/s/ VINCENT F. 04/04/2017 PALAGIANO

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

Allocation of earned shares during the year ended December 31, 2016 in the Company's non-qualified Benefit Maintenance Plan. While (1) the allocation is deemed effective as of December 31, 2016, the amount of shares allocated was not fully determined until on or about March 31, 2017.

(2)

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Allocation of earned shares during the year ended December 31, 2016 in the Company's qualified Employee Stock Ownership Plan. While the allocation is deemed effective as of December 31, 2016, the amount of shares allocated was not fully determined until on or about March 31, 2017.

- (3) Shares received from the Company's Employee Stock Plan as part of retirement distributions.
- (4) Options vest in equal 1/4th annual installments on May 1, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

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