

Bryant John Hope  
Form 4  
February 14, 2013

**FORM 4**

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

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may continue.  
See Instruction  
1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bryant John Hope

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp  
[ACRE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

C/O ARES MANAGEMENT LLC, 2  
NORTH LASALLE STREET,  
SUITE 925

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60602

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/10/2013		P <sup>(1)</sup>		13.141	A	\$ 17.0291 <sup>(2)</sup>
							6,088.274 <sup>(3)</sup> 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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bryant John Hope  
C/O ARES MANAGEMENT LLC  
2 NORTH LASALLE STREET, SUITE 925  
CHICAGO, IL 60602

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## Signatures

/s/ Monica J. Shilling, by power of  
attorney

02/14/2013

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

(1) The reporting person is hereby disclosing a delinquent Form 4 transaction.

Inadvertent purchase not directed by the reporting person of 13.141 shares of the issuer's Common Stock at \$17.0291 per share through an automatic broker-administered dividend reinvestment plan. This purchase constituted a "matching" transaction under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with the reporting person's sales of 304 shares of the issuer's Common Stock on July 30, 2012 and 650 shares of the issuer's Common Stock on October 23, 2012. These purchase and sale transactions did not result in a short swing profit because the January 10, 2013 purchase price was greater than any of the matchable sale prices, and as a result no disgorgement to the issuer is required of the reporting person. The dividend reinvestment feature of the reporting person's account has since been removed.

(3) Includes shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the issuer's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan still subject to vesting as disclosed on a Form 4 filed by the reporting person on May 1, 2012.

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