

David W. Kemper

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Commerce Bancshares, Inc. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Commerce Bank

David W. Kemper is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the holding company, Commerce Bancshares, Inc; and Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Commerce Bank. He joined Commerce Bank in 1978 as Vice President in charge of Commercial Lending and in 1991 was elected to his current position. Kemper heads the Executive Committee of Commerce Bancshares, Inc. A 1972 graduate of Harvard University, Kemper received a Master of Arts in English Literature from Worcester College, Oxford University in 1974 and an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business in 1976. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Kemper is a director of Tower Properties Company, Enterprise Holdings and Post Holdings. Kemper serves as Vice Chairman of the board of trustees of Washington University in St. Louis. He is also on the board of trustees of the Missouri Botanical Garden and the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center. He is past president of the Federal Advisory Council to the Federal Reserve and a member of Civic Progress.



John W. Kemper

President and Chief Operating Officer of Commerce Bancshares, Inc. President of Commerce Bank

John W. Kemper is President and Chief Operating Officer of Commerce Bancshares, Inc., and President of Commerce Bank. In this role, Kemper directs the Bank's strategy and line operations, working closely with market and business line leadership. In addition, Kemper has overall responsibility for bank credit and non-credit risk, legal, compliance and talent management. Kemper holds a Bachelor of Arts in history and political science from Stanford University, a Master of Science in economic history from the London School of Economics, and an MBA from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. Prior to joining Commerce, he served as an engagement manager with McKinsey & Co., a management consulting firm. Kemper is a director of Tower Properties Company.

He sits on the Senior Client Council of Visa, Inc., and is a member of the Financial Services Roundtable. In addition, Kemper serves on the boards of a number of civic institutions in the St. Louis region.