

NEW COMMERCE BANCORP  
Form SC 13D  
August 31, 2004

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

**SCHEDULE 13D  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

New Commerce Bancorp  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, Par Value \$.01 Per Share  
(Title of Class of Securities)

643598 10 5  
(CUSIP Number)

Marshall J. Collins, Jr.,  
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized  
to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 26, 2002  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY).

Marshall J. Collins, Jr.

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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF GROUP (a)   
(b)

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3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS

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5. CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E)

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

South Carolina, United States

7. SOLE VOTING POWER

41,500 - shares of common stock owned directly.

10,000 - shares in the form of warrants and options that the filer has the right to acquire.

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8. SHARED VOTING POWER

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

41,500 - shares of common stock owned directly.

10,000 - shares in the form of warrants and options that the filer has the right to acquire.

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

51,500

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

5.2%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

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**Item 1. Security and Issuer**

This statement relates to the Common Stock, par value \$.01, of New Commerce BanCorp (the Issuer), the principal executive offices of which are located at 501 New Commerce Court, Greenville, South Carolina 29607.

**Item 2. Identity and Background**

This statement is being filed by Marshall J. Collins, Jr. (the "Shareholder"), a director of the Issuer, who is a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of South Carolina.

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The Shareholder is currently retired. His principal occupation prior to retirement was chief executive officer and chairman of BI-LO, LLC and president and chief executive officer of Ahold USA Support Services in Mauldin, South Carolina.

During the last five years, Shareholder has not been (i) convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) a party to a civil proceeding or a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree, or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation of such laws.

### Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds and Other Consideration

The Shareholder became the beneficial owner of shares of common stock through the following transactions:

- (a) The purchase of 17,500 Shares with personal funds in the Issuer's initial offering on May 13, 1999;
- (b) Pursuant to a warrant agreement issued in consideration of his efforts as an organizer of the Issuer's subsidiary bank. The warrants cover 7,500 shares and were issued on January 12, 1999 and became fully vested and exercisable on March 19, 2000;
- (c) Pursuant to an option agreement issued to directors of the Issuer. The options cover 2,500 shares and are fully vested and exercisable;
- (d) The purchase of 1,000 Shares with personal funds on May 16, 2000.
- (e) The purchase of 2,000 Shares with personal funds on May 24, 2002.
- (f) The purchase of 21,000 Shares with personal funds on June 5, 2002.

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### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The Shareholder acquired his shares for investment purposes. The Shareholder has no current plans to acquire additional shares or dispose of his shares.

### Item 5. Interest in the Securities of the Issuer

- (a) Shareholder beneficially owns 51,500 shares of the Company, or approximately 5.2% of the outstanding Shares, consisting of 41,500 Shares, a Warrant to purchase 7,500 Shares at a price of \$10.00 per share and an option to purchase 2,500 shares at a price of \$10.00 per share.
- (b) Shareholder has the sole power to vote and direct the disposition of 41,500 Shares and has the right to acquire a total of 10,000 Shares through the exercise of options and warrants. Upon exercise, the Shareholder would have the sole power to vote and direct the disposition of those shares.
- (c) Shareholder purchased 17,500 Shares with personal funds in the Issuer's initial offering on May 13, 1999 at a price of \$10.00; 1,000 Shares with personal funds on May 16, 2000 at a price of \$6.50; 2,000 Shares with personal funds on May 24, 2002 at a price of \$9.50; and 21,000 Shares with personal funds on June 5, 2002 at a price of \$9.50. Shareholder was granted warrants to purchase 7,500 shares for \$10.00 per share on January 12, 1999 for his service as an organizer. Shareholder also was granted options to purchase 2,500 shares for \$10.00 per share on August 26, 1999 for his service as a director.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Not applicable.

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.**

The Shareholder is not a party to any contract, arrangement, understandings or relationships other than those listed herein.

**Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits**

None.

(Signature on subsequent page.)

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**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: August 31, 2004

By: /s/ Marshall J. Collins, Jr.  
Marshall J. Collins, Jr.