

Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Schuster Todd

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP., ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE, 48TH FLOOR

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/20/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Co-Chief Executive Officer

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

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | 7,027 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/28/2013 | | P | 10,000 A | \$ 12.23 (1) 40,000 | I | By SBHWD LLC (2) |
| Common Stock | 08/20/2013 | | P | 2,500 (3) A | \$ 12.4395 2,500 | I | As custodian for child's UTMA account |

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|--------------|------------|---|---------------------|---|------------|-------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 08/20/2013 | P | 2,500 <u>(4)</u> | A | \$ 12.4074 | 2,500 | I | As custodian for child's UTMA account |
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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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Schuster Todd C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP. ONE NORTH WACKER DRIVE, 48TH FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60606 | X | | Co-Chief Executive Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Monica J. Shilling, by power of attorney 08/28/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1)

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The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$12.14 to \$12.27, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation, any security holder of Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

- (2) The 40,000 shares are held by SBHWD LLC, a limited liability company, of which the reporting person is the managing member.
- (3) The 2,500 shares were purchased by the reporting person as custodian of an account for the benefit of the reporting person's child under the Uniform Transfers to Minors Act.
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