FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Browning William					Ares Commercial Real Estate Corp [ACRE]								,	10%	6 Owner		
(Last)	(First)	st) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Officer (gi	ve title below	/)Oth	er (specify b	pelow)	
C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP., 245 PARK AVENUE,					5/2/2024												
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	(Stree	et)		4. I	f An	nendme	nt, Date O	rigin	al File	d (MM/DI	D/YYY	Y) 6. Individual	or Joint/G	roup Filing	(Check Appl	icable Line)	
NEW YORK, NY 10167													X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(Ci	ity) (Stat	e) (Zip	p)														
			Table I - 1	Non-Der	ivati	ive Sect	ırities Ac	quire	ed, Dis	posed of	f, or i	Beneficially Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. I				2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		3. Trans. Co (Instr. 8)	de	4. Securities Acqu or Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securi Following Reported (Instr. 3 and 4)	ities Beneficially Owned d Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	V	Amour	(A) o	r Pri	ce			or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			5	5/2/2024			A		13,842	(<u>1</u>) A	8	0		13,842	D		
Common Stock														46,074 (2)	I	By The Browning Family Trust (3)	
	Tabl	le II - Der	ivative Se	ecurities l	Bene	eficially	Owned (e.g.,	puts, c	alls, wa	rran	ts, options, conve	rtible secu	ırities)			
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date Execut	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8)	Acquire Dispose		er of we Securities I (A) or I of (D) 4 and 5)	and Expiration Date Sec Der			Secur Deriv	e and Amount of ities Underlying ative Security 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Security: Direct (D)	Beneficial	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e rcisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents a grant of restricted stock pursuant to Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation's Amended and Restated 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares of restricted stock are scheduled to vest ratably on a quarterly basis over a one-year period on the first business day of each fiscal quarter beginning July 1, 2024
- (2) Includes 11,743 shares previously owned directly on the reporting person's prior Form 4.
- (3) The common stock is held by The Browning Family Trust, of which the reporting person is a trustee.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Browning William C/O ARES COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE CORP. 245 PARK AVENUE, 42ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10167	X						

Signatures

/s/ Anton Feingold, by power of attorney 5/6/2024

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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