FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Schalliol Charles E</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [FRME]									heck a		p of Reporting Person(s) to Iss blicable) ctor 10% Ov				
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 8,178 shares

Remarks:

<u>Deanna Brass (Confirming</u> Statement on File)

10/02/2015

** 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).
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