FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lehman Gary</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [ FRME ]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 E JACKSON ST						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/02/2018										er (give title		(specify	
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2018								6. Inc Line)	lividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	f, or l	3ene	ficially	/ Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			es Acqu Of (D) (II	ired (A nstr. 3,	) or 4 and 5)	Benefi Owned	ties cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount (A)		or P	rice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 07/02/20						018		P		35.672	A	. \$	46.722	38,07	79.485(1)(2)	D			
		Та	ıble II -								osed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tive Conversion Date ty or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		on Date, Day/Year) -	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		De Se (Ir	Price of vivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 4,654 shares
- 2. Due to an administrative error, the grant of 319 restricted shares to the reporting person on June 30, 2018 in exchange for director fees and reported on the Form 4 filed by the reporting person on July 3, 2018, should have instead been paid in cash. The Company has corrected the error, cancelled the grant and instead paid the director fees to the reporting person in cash. As of July 2, 2018 the reporting person owned only 38,079.485 shares of common stock.

## Remarks:

Addison Nicoll (Confirming Statement on File)

10/26/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\ast}$  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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