FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* FISHER MICHAEL J.				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [FRME]								onship of Reporti all applicable) Director	ng Person(s) to Issuer 10% Own		ner		
(First)	(Mi	ddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2022							Officer (give ti	tle below))	Other (sp	ecify below)		
IN (State)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 5,644 shares

Remarks:

<u>Jacob Burkett (Confirming Statement on</u> 01/04/2023

File)

** 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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CONFIRMING STATEMENT

This statement confirms that the undersigned, Michael Fisher, has authorized and designated, Jennifer Mainord Melanie Bowling, and Jacob Bu
____/s/Michael Fisher____
Michael Fisher

Date: __11/8/2022_____