FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington,	D.C. 20549
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Title of Security	(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or		Amount of	6. Ownershi	
	Та	ble I -	Non-Derivativ	e Securities A	cquired, D	isposed of, or Benef	icially	Owned		
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(Street)				I. If Amendment, Dat	e of Original F	Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	vidual or Joint/0	Group Filing	Check Applicable
(Last) 645 MADISON	(First) AVENUE, 10T	(Midd H FLOC	1	3. Date of Earliest Tra 11/17/2022	ansacuon (Mo	пшираултеаг)		Director	-by-Deput	zauon
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BASSWOOD CAPITAL  MANAGEMENT, L.L.C.				ОСОМ ]	nity Bancs	shares, Inc. /NY/ [		ationship of Rep (all applicable) Director Officer (give below)	X title X	10% Owner Other (specify below)
			· c	or Section 30(h) of th	e Investment	Company Act of 1940				

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 Disposed Of 5)	Acquire f (D) (Inst	ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock")	11/17/2022		S		23,578	D	\$35.03	1,498,506	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/17/2022		S		488	D	\$35.03	136,068	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/17/2022		S		218	D	\$35.03	60,599	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/17/2022		S		1,231	D	\$35.03	391,518	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/17/2022		S		25	D	\$35.03	6,140	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/18/2022		S		32,205	D	\$34.65	1,466,301	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/18/2022		S		667	D	\$34.65	135,401	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/18/2022		S		297	D	\$34.65	60,302	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/18/2022		S		1,682	D	\$34.65	389,836	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/18/2022		S		34	D	\$34.65	6,106	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2022		S		29,938	D	\$34.52	1,436,363	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2022		S		620	D	\$34.52	134,781	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2022		S		276	D	\$34.52	60,026	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2022		S		1,564	D	\$34.52	388,272	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock	11/21/2022		S		32	D	\$34.52	6,074	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock								18,660	I	See footnotes <sup>(1)(</sup>
Common Stock								138,282	D <sup>(1)(8)</sup>	
Common Stock								167,970.82	D <sup>(1)(9)</sup>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	Date (Month/Day/Year)	RA IPee Derivat Execution Date, if any (e.g., pu (Month/Day/Year)	Transa Itso,dea	iction	Of W <b>Ø</b> FIII	rities	ifeChteDisco Expiration Da OppiiOnDay/0	ଫ୍ୟୁଟ୍ଟୋଫ୍ଟି, ( ୟୁଦ୍ରମ୍ୟୁଟ୍ଟୋ ଆଧାର	Amou Amou Gesech Under Deriva		Derivative Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned	10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indired
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Security 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)	ection Instr.	r. [ʔ/ʔsi/yati/vat Singutyities Acquired		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Security (Instr. 3.aTitle) and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Following Rehumber of Verinstition(s) Restribles Beneficially Owned	(i) (Instr. 4) 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect
	Security			Code	v	(A) o Dispo of (D (Instr (An))d 5	sed . 3, 4	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Secur 3 and Title	itx/floafft 43r Number of Shares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(I) (Instr.
	1	Reporting Person* APITAL MA	NAGEMEN'	, Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
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(City)		(State)	(Zip)		_									
		Reporting Person*  MATTHEW	<u> </u>											
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11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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645 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR (Street) **NEW YORK** NY 10022 (City) (State) (Zip)

(First) BASSWOOD CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.L.C.

(Middle)

L.P.

1. Name and Addres	ss of Reporting Pers	son*
		NITY FUND INC
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
		GEMENT L.L.C.
645 MADISON	AVENUE, 10TH	FLOOR
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### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. See Exhibit 99.1
- 2. See Exhibit 99.1
- 3. See Exhibit 99.1
- 4. See Exhibit 99.1
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- 9. See Exhibit 99.1

#### Remarks:

Exhibit List: ----- Exhibit 99.1 - Explanation of Responses Exhibit 99.2 - Joint Filer Information Exhibit 99.3 - Joint Filers' Signatures

BASSWOOD CAPITAL

MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., /s/ 11/21/2022

Matthew Lindenbaum

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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Designated Filer: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. Issuer & Ticker Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. [DCOM]

Symbol:

Date of Event November 17, 2022

Requiring Statement:

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. This Form 4 is filed on behalf of Matthew Lindenbaum, Bennett Lindenbaum, Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. ("BCM"), Basswood Partners, L.L.C. ("Partners"), Basswood Opportunity Partners, LP ("BOP"), Basswood Opportunity Fund, Inc. ("BOF"), Basswood Financial Fund, LP ("BFF") and Basswood Financial Long Only Fund, LP ("BFLOF") (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). BCM is the investment manager or adviser to BOP, BFF, BFLOF, BOF and Basswood Co-Investment Fund (SPC), Ltd., For and on Behalf of Segregated Portfolio C-1 ("BCF"), (collectively, the "Funds") and certain separate managed accounts managed by BCM (the "Managed Accounts") and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the Common Stock directly held by the Funds and held in the Managed Accounts. Partners is the general partner of BFF, BOP and BFLOF, and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the Common Stock held directly by BFF, BOP and BFLOF. Matthew Lindenbaum and Bennett Lindenbaum are the managing members of BCM and may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest in the Common Stock directly held by the Funds and held in the Managed Accounts, and also directly hold shares of Common Stock. In accordance with Instruction 4(b) (iv), the entire amount of Common Stock held by the Funds or Managed Accounts are reported herein. Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of Common Stock that are beneficially owned by the Funds or Managed Accounts, except to the extent of any direct or indirect pecuniary interest therein. BCM and Partners also disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by Matthew Lindenbaum and Bennett Lind

Matthew Lindenbaum, a managing member of BCM, serves on the board of directors of the Issuer as a representative of the Reporting Persons. As a result, each of the Reporting Persons is a "director-by-deputization" solely for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act. By reason of the provisions of Rule 16a-1 of the Exchange Act, each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of the shares of Common Stock issued to Matthew Lindenbaum

2. Common Stock held directly by certain separate Managed Accounts managed by BCM.	

- 3. Common Stock held directly by BFF.
- 4. Common Stock held directly by BFLOF.
- 5. Common Stock held directly by BOP.
- 6. Common Stock held directly by BOF.
- 7. Common Stock held directly by BCF.
- 8. Common Stock held directly by Bennett Lindenbaum.
- 9. Common Stock held directly by Matthew Lindenbaum, which includes 6,955.824747 shares of Common Stock underlying restricted stock unit awards.

Designated Filer: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

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#### **Exhibit 99.2 - Joint Filer Information**

Joint Filers:

1. Name: Matthew Lindenbaum

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

2. Name: Bennett Lindenbaum

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

3. Name: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

4. Name: Basswood Partners, L.L.C.

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

5. Name: Basswood Opportunity Partners, LP

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

6. Name: Basswood Opportunity Fund, Inc.

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

7. Name: Basswood Financial Fund, LP

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

8. Name: Basswood Financial Long Only Fund, LP

Address: c/o Basswood Capital Management, LLC

645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor

New York, NY 10022

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### Joint Filers' Signatures

/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Matthew Lindenbaum

/s/ Bennett Lindenbaum

Bennett Lindenbaum

Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

Basswood Partners, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

**Basswood Opportunity Partners, LP** 

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

**Basswood Opportunity Fund, LP** 

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

Basswood Financial Fund, LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

Basswood Financial Long Only Fund, LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member