FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHA	NGES IN	<b>BENEFICIAL</b>	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Augsburger Blake</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
														X Direct	or	10% Owner		wner		
(Last)	`	rst) ( ERNATIONAL	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2015										Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	specify	
1101 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW, SUITE 1010			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable							
(Street) WASHIN	NGTON D	C :	20004												Lin	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	tate) (	(Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			Execution Date,				Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acc ed Of (D)	juired (Instr.	(A) or 3, 4 an	Benefic	ies Fo cially (D Following (I)		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								C	ode	v	Amoun	t (A	(A) or (D) Pr		Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(111501.4)	
Common Stock															5,500			D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day Month/Day)			Code (Instr.			n of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	or Nu of	ımber					
Phantom Stock	(1)	08/05/2015			A		26		(2	2)		(3)	Commo	n	26	\$43.1829	4,575		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- 2. Phantom Stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- 3. Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

08/06/2015

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\*\* 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).
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