FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Toothaker Bradley J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]								(Ch	eck all appl Direct	icable) or	ıg Per	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov	
(Last)	`	irst) NCIAL CORPO	(Middle) RATION		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  07/02/2021  Officer (give title below)										Other (s below)	specify		
P.O. BO	X 1387			4.	If Amer	ndment	t, Date	of Origina	ıl Filed	l (Month/D	Day/Year)		6. Ir		Joint/Group	Filin	g (Check Ap	plicable
(Street) WARSA	W IN	1	46581-1387										Form	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																	
Date				Transaction ate onth/Day/Ye	Execution Date,			r, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acqu d Of (D) (I			5. Amou Securiti Benefici Owned I Reporte	es Fo ially (D) Following (I)		orm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									v	Amount	t (A) or (D)		Price	Transac	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			,iiisti. 4)
Common Stock					1		19	19,363		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)	3A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		ı 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 derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		expiration Pate	Title	or Nui of	nount mber ares					
Phantom Stock	(1)	07/02/2021		A		365		(2)	$\top$	(3)	Common	3	65	\$61.6061	13,400	)	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. Phanton shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

/s/ Kristin L. Pruitt, Attorney-

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/06/2021

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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