FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Pruitt Kristin							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]									k all applic Directo	r		10% Ov	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1387						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2018									X	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President				
Street) WARSAW IN 46581-1387				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)																			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and 5) Securitie Beneficia		es For ally (D) Following (I) (: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) c (D)	r P	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/16/					6/201	2018				S		300	D	,	\$50.05	6,4	100	D		
Common Stock																7,317				401(k) Plan
			Table II -									osed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (l 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity	3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	de V		(D)	Dat Exe	e Exprcisable Da		piration te			mount umber nares					
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽²⁾								02/	/01/2019	02/	/01/2019 ⁽³⁾	Common	6	,000		6,000)	D	
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽²⁾								02/	/01/2020	02/	/01/2020 ⁽³⁾	Common	5	,400		5,400)	D	
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽²⁾								02/	/01/2021	02/	/01/2021 ⁽³⁾	Common	5	,700		5,700)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.
- 2. Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- 3. Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific futurue date and do not have an expiration date.

<u>Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact</u>

08/17/2018

** 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).
- ** 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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