- 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Nowak, James J. 2227 S Country Club Rd. Warsaw, IN 46580

  2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
  Lakeland Financial Corporation (LKFN)

  3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

  4. Statement for Month/Year

12/2002

1272002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
( ) Director ( ) 10% Owner
(X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other (specify below)

Vice President & Treasurer
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

 ${\it TABLE~I~--~Non-Derivative~Securities~Acquired,~Disposed~of,~or~Beneficially~Owned}$ 

+	+	+	+	+	.++	
1. Title of Security	2. Trans-	2A.Execu-  3.	Trans- 4. Securities Acquired	(A) 5. Amount of	6. Owner-	7. Nature
	action	action	action  or Disposed of (D)	Securities	ship	of In-
	Date	Date	Code	Beneficially	Form:	direct
	1		Ī	Owned	Direct	Bene-
İ	(Month/	(Month/	İ	Following	(D) or	ficial
İ	Day/	Day/	+	+ Year	Indirect	Owner-
İ	Year)	Year)	Amount  A/D Price		(I)	ship
+	+	+		+	-++	+

Common Stock 12/31/2002 9.577 A \$23.7421 518.375 Ι 401(k) Plan

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+		+	+	+	++
1.	2.	3.	3A.	4.	5.	6.		7.		8.	9.	10.	11.
			1		[						Number	Owner-	
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	1		1		1			Title a	nd Amount		ative	Deriv-	1 1
İ			1		ĺ			of Under	rlying		Secur-	ative	Nature
	Conver-	Trans-	Execu-		Number of			Securit:	ies		ities	Secur-	of
İ	sion or	action	tion		Derivative	Date Exerc	isable	+	+	+	Benefi-	ity:	In-
	Exercise	Date	Date		Securities	and Expira	tion Date	1	Amount		cially	Direct	direct
	Price of		1	Transac-	Acquired(A)	(Month/Day	/Year)	1	or		Owned	(D) or	Bene-
Title of	Deriv-	(Month/	(Month/	tion Code	Disposed(D)	+	+	+	Number	Price of	l	In-	ficial
Derivative	ative	Day/	Day/	.	+	+Date Exer-	Expira-		of	Derivative	at End	direct	Owner-
Security	Security	Year)	Year)		(A)  (D)	cisable	tion Date	Title	Shares	Security	of Year	(I)	ship
+	+	+	+	<b>-</b>	+	+	+	+	+	<b>.</b>	+	+	+

Explanation of Responses:

Salary redirection to 401(k) plan during 2002.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ James J. Nowak

DATE 02/07/2003