FORM 4

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

Washington, D	.C. 20549
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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Toothaker Bradley J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]										Relationship eck all appl X Direct	icable)	ng Per	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov	
	st) (First) (Middle)  KELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION  D. BOX 1387					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2021										Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)	
(Street) WARSA			46581-1387	4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										e) X Form Form	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					ar) E	A. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year		_   Co	ransact		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				Benefici Owned	es Fo ially (D Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								C	ode \	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transac	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			Instr. 4)
Common	Stock														18	,713	3 D		
		Т	able II - Deriv (e.g.,						,	•	sed of onverti	,		•	Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	4. Transa Code ( 8)		n of		Expir	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Phantom Stock	(1)	01/08/2021		A		377	П	(	(2)	Γ	(3)	Commo		377	\$59.759	12,897	7	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.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

01/11/2021

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).
- \*\* 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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