FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name at Evans		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]											ip of Reporti plicable) ctor	ng Pe	rson(s) to Is						
(Last) 330 W 6	,	irst) (	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/05/2015										Offi belo	er (give title w)		Other ( below)	specify	
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46260						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										e) <mark>X</mark> For For					
(City)	(Si	tate) (	(Zip)																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				-Derivative Se 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Secu	4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			5. An Secu Bene Owne	ount of ities icially d Following	Fori	wnership m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
-										Code	v	Amount	int (A) (C) (D)		Price	Trans	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common	Stock	To														8,398 D ally Owned					
			(0	<u> </u>		calls	1	_	_	<u> </u>		onverti			ities)				1		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		of		Ехр	Pate Exer piration D pnth/Day/	ate	Amount of			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
				Code	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e ercisable		piration te	Title	OI N Of	umber	er					
Phantom Stock	(1)	11/05/2015			A		33			(2)		(3)	Comm		33	\$46.846	6,470		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.

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in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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