FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FULMER L CRAIG				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN] LONG TRADITION OF															
(Last) (First) (Middle) 120 W. LEXINGTON				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2009									Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)						
(Street) ELKHART IN 46516				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State) (Zip)				Person Person										rung					
		Tab	le I - Nor	-Deriva	ative	Sec	uriti	es Ac	cquired,	Disp	osed o	of, or E	ene	ficiall	y Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		r) E	ZA. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) o ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		(A) or 3, 4 and		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	v	Amount	(A)	or	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock													5	5,706		D			
Common Stock												29,5	78.007			By Spouse			
		T	able II - I (uired, D s, optior						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, C	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of E		Expiration	5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code \	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		piration ite	Title	or Nu of	mber ares					
Phantom Stock	(1)	08/07/2009			A		155		(3)		(2)	Commo Stock	1 1	.55	\$19.91	19,962		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$7.5625								02/08/200	5 02	/08/2010	Commo Stock	1,	200		1,200		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.75								06/13/200	5 06	/13/2010	Commo Stock	1,	000		1,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.8125								01/09/200	5 01	/09/2011	Commo Stock	2,	000		2,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$17.185								12/09/200	3 12	/09/2013	Commo Stock	1,	000		1,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to	\$24.05								04/10/2013	2 05	/14/2018	Commo Stock	1,	000		1,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each phantom stock unit exersises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- 2. Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- 3. Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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08/07/2009

** 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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