## FORM 5

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

Washington,	D.C.	20549
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## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

X Form 4	Transactions	Reported.	Fil	ed pursuant to or Section					urities Excha Company Ad			4						
Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Smith Brian J				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]						(Ch	S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle)  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1387				12/31/20	Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2020  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Officer (give title Other (specify below)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) WARSA	W IN	Γ ,	46581-1387	4. If Affectioners, Date of Original Flied					,		,	Line	X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St		(Zip)															
		Tabl	e I - Non-Deriv	ative Sec	uriti	es A	cquir	ed, D	isposed	of, or	Bene	ficial	ly Owne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				sed O	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end o				7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
				(				Amou	nt	(A) or (D) Price			Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common	Common Stock 03/06/2020		03/06/2020		P		4		28	A	\$36		34,688		D			
Common Stock 03/03		03/03/2020		P4		4	6,970		A	\$41.4964		34,688(1)		D				
Common Stock												26,668		I		As trustee		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo	r osed ) r. 3, 4	Expira (Mont	te Exercisable and ration Date th/Day/Year)  cisable Expiration Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		nount	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  Report Trans (Instr.		rities Form ficially Direc od or Inc wing (I) (Incred eaction(s)		hip   ( D) ( ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Phantom	(2)			l	I		l ,	2)	I	Comr	non I			l		l _	- 1	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The balance was adjusted to account for fractional shares from dividend reinvestment over time.
- 2. Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of common Stock.
- 3. Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- 4. Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

02/09/2021

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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