FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HIATT THOMAS | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN] | | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) X Director | | | g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | | | |
|--|---------------------|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|------|--|--|-----|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|--|-----------------|----------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 500 W 62ND | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2010 | | | | | | | | | | Office below | r (give title) | | Other (s below) | specify | | |
| | | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46260 | | | | | | X Form filed | | | | | | | | filed by Moi | ed by One Reporting Person ed by More than One Reporting | | | | | | | |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | 2. Transa Date (Month/I | | r) E | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year | | | Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5) | | | | 5. Amor Securit Benefic Owned Reporte | es ially Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | v | Amount | (A (D | or | Price | Transac (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (111501.4) | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,16 | 6.1042 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 600 | | | By Spouse | | | |
| Restricted Stock Awards | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 750 | | D | | | |
| 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) | | | Date, Transac | | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D) (Instr | rities lired r osed) | Exp | Date Exer piration E ponth/Day/ | ate | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | curity | 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) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Dat Exe | te ercisable | | piration te | Title | or Nu of | nount imber ares | | | | | | | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | 02/05/2010 | | | A | | 32 | | | (3) | | (2) | Common Stock | | 32 | \$17.17 | 3,615 | | D | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$25.6 | | | | | | | | 01/ | /09/2012 | 01/ | /09/2017 | Commo Stock | 1 3, | ,000 | | 3,000 | | D | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to | \$24.05 | | | | | | | | 05/ | /14/2013 | 05/ | /14/2018 | Commo Stock | 1 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.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

02/08/2010

** 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).
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