FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Augsburger Blake						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]										neck all app	onship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)		erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner			
(Last)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2012											Other ( below)	specify								
1101 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW, SUITE 1010						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) WASHINGTON DC 20004																X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)																						
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriva	ative	Sec	uritie	es Ac	qui	ired, I	Disp	osed	of, or	Ben	eficia	lly Owne	:d					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ar) E	A. Deemed xecution Date, any //onth/Day/Year)		•,	Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		urities Acquired (A) eed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			Benefi Owned	ties Fo cially (D) Following (I)		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					-	Code	v	Amoun	t	(A) or (D)	Price	Transa	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(instr. 4)						
Common Stock												1	1,125		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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transactio Code (Insti				6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	ve derivative Securities	Owr Forr Dire or Ir (I) (I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Phantom Stock	(1)	02/06/2012			A		3			(3)		(2)	Comm		3	\$26.0946	550		D			

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each phantom stock unit exercises 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-

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

02/08/2012

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).
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