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* <u>Augsburger Blake</u>					LA	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]								] (Ch	eck all a	onship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director			on(s) to Iss		
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Phantom Stock	(1)	07/10/2023			A		460			(2)		(3)	Commo		460	\$48.969	В	15,524		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.

/s/ Becka J. Turnbow, Attorney-in-Fact 07/10/2023

\*\* 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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