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* Smith Brian J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
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l	AND FINA	rst) (NCIAL CORPO	Middle) RATION			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2020											Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
P.O. BOX 1387 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)														6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)								
(Street)																X	Form f	iled by On	e Rep	orting Perso	n	
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(City)	(Si	tate) (Zip)																			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature																						
					t. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year			tion 1str.					4 and Securi Benefi Owned		es ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock																26,604			D			
Common Stock																	26,668				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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)				Ex	Date Exe piration I onth/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			De	B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	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)	07/06/2020			A		388			(2)		(3)	Commo Stock	1	388	\$4	5.1051	15,050)	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.

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07/07/2020

** 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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