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* WELCH M SCOTT					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						
(Last) 6 LONG	(Fi		(Middle)			ate of 08/20		st Tran	saction ((Mont	h/Day/Year)			Officer below	r (give ti		Other (specify below)		
(Street)			46516		4. If	Amen	dment	t, Date	of Origin	nal File	ed (Month/D	ay/Year)			filed by	oup Filin One Rep More tha	orting P	erson	
(City)	(Si	tate) ((Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	es Ac	quired	d, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	nefici	ally Owne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day.				Execution Date, /Year) if any			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 are 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(msu. 4)	
Common	Common Stock													1,25	7	Б	,		
Common	non Stock										49,00	49,000		I By		By Corporation			
Common Stock											34,000 I			By LLP					
Common Stock											166,436		I		By Spouse				
		Т	able II								posed of converti			ly Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date Execution Date, (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 3. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Securitie Acquirect (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)				rative rities pired r osed)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)					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)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock	(1)	01/08/2021			A	293		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	293	\$59.759	50,	50,076				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each phantom stock unit exersises 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.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

** Signature of Reporting Person

in-Fact

01/11/2021

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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