FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HIATT THOMAS</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]										Relationship eck all appl X Direct	icable)	ig Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ow	
(Last) 500 W 6	Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2012										Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46260 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)     Lir											Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es A	cqu	ired, I	Disp	osed o	of, or	Bene	eficial	ly Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/L					Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				Benefic Owned	es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										v	Amount		A) or O)	Price	Transac	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		[	(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock												5,11	5,113.1602		D				
Common Stock																(	500			By Spouse
		Т	able II - I (									sed of				Owned			·	
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/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv	r osed ) r. 3, 4	Exp	ate Exer piration I pnth/Day	ate		e and 7. Title at Amount of Securitie Underlyii Derivativ (Instr. 3 a		curity 1)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Ownership Form:	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Phantom Stock	(1)	02/06/2012			A		38			(3)		(2)	Comm Stock		38	\$26.0946	6,424		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$25.6								01/	/09/2012	01/	09/2017	Comm Stock		3,000		3,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$24.05								05/	/14/2013	05/	14/2018	Comm Stock		.,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-

02/08/2012

in-Fact

\*\* 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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