

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>NIEMIER CHARLES E</u> | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]</u> | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/23/2007</u> | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| <u>P O BOX 587</u> | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | |
| (Street) | <u>WARSAW</u> | <u>IN</u> | <u>46581-0587</u> | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-----------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 07/23/2007 | | P | | 5,000 | A | \$23.4592 | 25,353.281 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/24/2007 | | P | | 2,000 | A | \$23.34 | 27,353.281 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 4,240 | I | By Spouse |

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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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 Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | 07/12/2005 | 07/12/2015 | Common Stock | 504 | 504 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | 07/26/2005 | 07/26/2015 | Common Stock | 48 | 48 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 2,615 | 2,615 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | 04/26/2005 | 04/26/2015 | Common Stock | 60 | 60 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | 10/25/2005 | 10/25/2005 | Common Stock | 56 | 56 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/07/2003 | 01/07/2013 | Common Stock | 594.8 | 594.8 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 04/28/2004 | 04/28/2014 | Common Stock | 50 | 50 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 07/14/2004 | 07/14/2014 | Common Stock | 588 | 588 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 07/26/2004 | 07/26/2014 | Common Stock | 52 | 52 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/01/2003 | 01/01/2003 | Common Stock | 6,076.2 | 6,076.2 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 04/28/2003 | 04/28/2013 | Common Stock | 46.8 | 46.8 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/26/2004 | 01/26/2014 | Common Stock | 36 | 36 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 07/10/2003 | 07/10/2013 | Common Stock | 476 | 476 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 07/30/2003 | 07/30/2013 | Common Stock | 40 | 40 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 10/27/2003 | 10/27/2013 | Common Stock | 40 | 40 | D | |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 10/26/2004 | 10/26/2014 | Common Stock | 50 | | 50 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/11/2005 | 01/11/2015 | Common Stock | 536 | | 536 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/16/2004 | 01/16/2014 | Common Stock | 482 | | 482 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/28/2003 | 01/28/2013 | Common Stock | 48.2 | | 48.2 | D | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0 | | | | | | | 01/26/2005 | 01/26/2015 | Common Stock | 44 | | 44 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$6.75 | | | | | | | 06/13/2005 | 06/13/2010 | Common Stock | 1,000 | | 1,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$6.8125 | | | | | | | 01/09/2006 | 01/09/2011 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | | | | | | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 1,200 | | 1,200 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$9.7188 | | | | | | | 02/09/2004 | 02/09/2009 | Common Stock | 1,150 | | 1,150 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$17.185 | | | | | | | 12/09/2008 | 12/09/2013 | Common Stock | 1,000 | | 1,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 07/24/2007

** 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).

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