

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SMITH CHARLES D</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1902 N. BAY DR.</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>WARSAW IN 46580</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip) | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]</u> <hr/> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/22/2007</u> <hr/> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice president</u> | | |
| | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |

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 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 50 | A | \$7.5625 | 518.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | A | \$7.5625 | 618.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | A | \$7.5625 | 718.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | A | \$7.5625 | 818.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 200 | A | \$7.5625 | 1,018.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | A | \$7.5625 | 1,118.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 50 | D | \$25.5 | 1,068.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 200 | D | \$25.52 | 868.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 100 | D | \$25.53 | 768.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 100 | D | \$25.65 | 668.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 100 | D | \$25.67 | 568.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2007 | | S | | 100 | D | \$25.72 | 468.517 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 73,078 | I | 401(k) Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 591.8167 | 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 | | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$6.75 | | | | | | | 06/13/2005 | 06/13/2010 | Common Stock | 8,000 | 8,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$6.8125 | | | | | | | 01/09/2006 | 01/09/2011 | Common Stock | 10,000 | 10,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.0625 | | | | | | | 05/09/2005 | 05/09/2010 | Common Stock | 4,000 | 4,000 | D | |

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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$8.125 | | | | | | | 12/11/2006 | 12/11/2011 | Common Stock | 4,000 | | 4,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$9.7188 | | | | | | | 02/09/2004 | 02/09/2009 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$17.185 | | | | | | | 12/09/2008 | 12/09/2013 | Common Stock | 10,000 | | 10,000 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 50 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 50 | \$25.5 | 7,950 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 200 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 200 | \$25.52 | 7,750 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 100 | \$25.53 | 7,650 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 100 | \$25.65 | 7,550 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 100 | \$25.67 | 7,450 | D | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$7.5625 | 08/22/2007 | | M | | 100 | | 02/08/2005 | 02/08/2010 | Common Stock | 100 | \$25.72 | 7,350 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 08/30/2007
Date

** 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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