

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Bartels, Jr., Robert E.
760 W. Cotter Street
South Bend, IN 46613
USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Lakeland Financial Corporation (LKFN)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year
01/14/2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(X) Director () 10% Owner
() Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
() Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A.Execu- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
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TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execu- tion Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Transac- tion Code Code V	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exer- Expira- cisable tion Date	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Benefi- cially Owned	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I)	Nature of In- direct Owner- ship

Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$23.8	01/14/2003		A	1000	01/14/2008 01/14/2013	Common Stock	1000	\$23.8000	1000	D
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Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-fact

DATE
01/15/2003