FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     WELCH M SCOTT					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
WELCH WISCOTT															X Director			10% O	wner		
(Last)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/12/2010									Officer below)	(give title		Other ( below)	specify		
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(Street)	reet)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)												Person						
		Tab	le I - No	on-Deri	vative	Sec	uriti	es Ac	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	nefic	ially	Owned	d					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transa Date (Month/D		Year) Exe		A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		and 5) Securi Benefi Owned		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transac	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Common	Stock	Stock			/2010	2010					1,000	A	\$19.	7095	40	40,950		D			
Common	Stock														1 1650 1 1				By Spouse		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	ned	4. Transa	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of			sable and e	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		nt 8. De Se	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Iy Direct ( or Indir (I) (Inst	Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)				Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares	er							
Phantom Stock	(1)								(3)		(2)	Common Stock	15,66	55		15,665		D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.8125								01/09/20	006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	2,00	0		2,000		D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$17.185								12/09/20	800	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,00	0		1,000		D			
Stock Options	\$24.05								05/14/20	013	05/14/2018	Common	1,00	$\begin{bmatrix} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$		1,000		D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

(Right to Buy)

- 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-

08/13/2010

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\*\* 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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