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* O'Neill Lisa M | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN] | | | | | | | | | | k all applic Directo | able) | g Pers | on(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s | ner | |
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| Street) WARSAW IN 46581-1387 | | | | | _ 4. l | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
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| Date | | | | 2. Trans Date (Month/ | | ar) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. Transa Code (I 8) | | 4. Securiti Disposed | ies Acquir Of (D) (Ins | ed (A) str. 3, |) or 4 and 5) | Beneficia Owned F | es ally Following | Form (D) o | : Direct r Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | | rice | Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a | ion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 08/23. | | | | | 3/201 | /2019 | | | | P | | 500 | A | 1 | \$41.58 | 22,798 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,149 | | | 401(k) Plan | |
| | | | Table II - | | | | | | | | | osed of, onvertib | | | | 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) | | | | 6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) | | curity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | Ov Fo Dilly or (I) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Dat Exe | te ercisable | | piration te | Title | or Nu of | nount imber iares | | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | 02/ | /01/2020 | 02/ | 01/2020 ⁽³⁾ | Commor Stock | 5, | ,400 | | 5,400 |) | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | 02/ | /01/2021 | 02/ | /01/2021 ⁽³⁾ | Commor Stock | 5, | ,400 | | 5,400 |) | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | 02/ | /01/2022 | 02/ | /01/2022 ⁽³⁾ | Commor Stock | 5, | ,400 | | 5,400 |) | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ The \ Restricted \ Stock \ Units \ are \ subject \ to \ for feiture \ based \ on \ corporate \ performance \ criteria.$
- 2. Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- 3. Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific futurue date and do not have an expiration date.

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact

08/26/2019

** 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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