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* Smith Brian J						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]									Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)     X Director			son(s) to Iss	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 120 WEST LEXINGTON AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2014										r (give title		Other (sbelow)	
(Street) ELKHART IN 46516 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									e) X Form Form	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
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Common Stock														6,0	6,067.134		D		
		Т	able II - D						uired, Di , option						Owned				
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)		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Phantom Stock	(1)	02/06/2014			A		19		(2)		(3)	Commo	n	19	\$36.3824	3,560		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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