FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WELCH M SCOTT						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(F	*	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (M 11/07/2022						h/Day/Year)	l			r (give ti			er (sp		
(Street)	RT IN	1	46516		4. If	f Amen	idment	t, Date	of Origin	al File	ed (Month/D	Day/Year)		Form	filed by	oup Filin One Rep More tha	orting P	erson		
(City)	(S	tate)	Zip)											Perso	n					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date		2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,				es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership						
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and					(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock											1,257		Г	D						
Common Stock													6,50	6,500		I By		poration		
Common Stock												34,000 I			By LLP					
Common Stock											163,391		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)	Title of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 4. Transaction Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. Derivative of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title an Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 at			of s g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Num derivat Securi Benefi Owned Follow Report Transa (Instr.	tive ties cially d ring ted action(s)	10. Owners Form: Direct (or Indir (I) (Inst	D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)							
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1						
Phantom Stock	(1)	11/07/2022			A		258		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	258	\$81.8072	52	,930	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each phantom stock unit exersises 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.

/s/ Becka J. Turnbow, 11/08/2022 Attorney-in-Fact

** 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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