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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WELCH M SCOTT			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]				_	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 6 LONGWO	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/Date 07/08/20	nsaction			_X_ Director Officer (gives) below)		10% Owner Other (specify ow)		
ELVILADT	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date 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			
ELKHART, IN 46516								Person			
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/08/2014			A	625	A	\$ 0	65,820	D		
Common Stock								16,000	I	By LLP	
Common Stock								1,930	I	By Spouse	
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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Underlying S	Securities	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e				(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	3				
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>					(2)	(3)	Common Stock	24,182	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WELCH M SCOTT							
6 LONGWOOD COURT	X						
ELKHART, IN 46516							

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 07/09/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (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.

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