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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(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) (N	(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2014			_X_ Director Officer (gives below)					
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date 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					
ELKHART, IN 46516							Person	filed by More than One Reporting			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							lly Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	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							65,195	D			
Common Stock							16,000	I	By LLP		
Common Stock							1,930	I	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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	05/05/2014	A	134	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	134	\$ 36.408

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 05/06/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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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